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I like to present my 100+ pages of testimonials in different ways to make them as accessible as possible.

In this version 360 extracts (sourced from 200+ separate testimonials) are organised around 12 themes, hopefully giving you a vivid sense of all my bespoke writing is capable of. If you see a name repeated, bear in mind I've been lucky enough to work for some clients several times in different capacities and, after 10 years, quite a few have also shared similar names.

The complete collection (350+) is available if you'd like to see my testimonials in full.

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'Guests came up to us afterwards crying, telling us it was the best wedding they'd ever been to. The emotion captured in the room and between the two of us will stay with us until we take our last breath.'

Louise + Matt

'We enjoyed our time so much we missed Hannah when it was over! Her warmth, intelligence and wit made us feel we'd known her for years. We would recommend her with a passion and hire her again in a heartbeat.'

Kate + Simon

'Having been partners for 20 years, you made us dig into long gone memories and bring them back to life, which was wonderfully nostalgic. You made our life come to life. We're so grateful to you for your hard work.'

Gillian + Colin

'Where on earth do I begin? To say it was everything we had dreamed of is quite something. There are not enough superlatives to describe how we feel both about the ceremony you gave us and yourself as a person.'

Liz + Steve

'You are a very special lady Hannah. In our darkest times, it has been a pleasure to work with you. Our son's memorial was beautiful. I cannot imagine there being anybody else I could have felt in safe hands with.'

Sarah

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## I Just how much this experience can mean

'We can't put into words how much today meant to us - everything we wanted and more. Next baby we'll be booking you in before the birth for their naming! Thank you from the bottom of our hearts and souls.' Mel + Chris

'Thank you so much for making such an incredible day even more special than it could ever have been. It was such a delight to work with you. We will cherish the memories that were created with your help forever.' Caitlin + James

'Our heads are still spinning with wonderfulness, just far and away the best day of our lives no doubt about it, and you were a massive part of that! You are an amazing woman. No amount of thanks is enough.' Caro + Karen

'It's taken me three weeks to try to put into words what this wonderful lady did for us, still I am finding it difficult. Our ceremony was absolutely beautiful. We couldn't have told our story any better than she did.' Zoe + Chris

'Everyone said all day how they loved our incredible ceremony. Your support these past months has been wonderful, really paying off on the day. Thank you for telling our story, such an emotional, special moment we'll never forget. Absolutely magical.' Natalie + Chris

'We're not religious but still wanted something special we can tell the twins about when they're older. Hannah got to know us so well, allowing us input but guiding us too. She made it a day we will treasure forever.' Catherine + Bev

'Our vow renewal was one of the most joyful, romantic and special days of my life - right up there with when my kids were born and our actual wedding. Your ability to capture the spirit of our marriage? Extraordinary.' Clare + Dave

'There aren't many jobs that bring total pleasure to people, touching hearts and minds. Ewan's naming was absolutely fabulous, perfect in every way, exactly what I was looking for. It's definitely made me stronger, so excited about the next chapter.' Lindsey

'We will never forget you and what you did for us. I hope you can fully understand how much you made our wedding and lives come to life. You also really impressed all my friends, the photographer and the hotel!' Jo + Dav

'We're on Cloud 9! Yesterday was the best EVER. Thank you so much for everything. The ceremony was just perfection – we're both completely blown away. Everyone needs you at their wedding! We don't have enough words to thank you enough.' Text from Jen + Jon

'Choosing a Humanist ceremony for both wedding and naming meant we could focus on our family, having the Guide Parents we wanted. What you did for us is unforgettable. We shall forever cherish you in the memories of the day.'

Susie + Matt

'Our Registrar executed our writing to the highest calibre and it was the most amazing moment, hearing the special parts we'd not heard before including a lovely message from our parents. The ceremony was perfect - all thanks to Hannah.'

Luke + Ewan

'Our best day ever – not possible without you - a wedding so perfect to everything our family needed we were relaxed throughout, able to witness, enjoy and remember every second. Thank you from the bottom of 4 very happy hearts.'

Jules + Ric

'Thank you so very much for everything yesterday - we couldn't have asked or hoped for more. Everybody loved it, commenting on how personal and special it was and how fantastic you were. It meant everything to me and Charlie.' Christine + Charlie

'I've started writing to you many times but never seem to do you justice. What a central part you and the beautiful service played in our lives, not just our wedding. What an amazing day. It was truly a fairytale.' Julie + Gary

'Thank you so much for all the work you put in, the process made so easy by your friendly and professional approach. It was perfect, everything we hoped and more. No words can express how much that means to us.' Melanie + Carl

'A consummate professional, Hannah made everything easy, fun and comfortable for us as a family. Many guests were so moved by the truly wonderful naming for our 3 boys – it was an unforgettable experience. What a gift she gave us.' Meredith + Mark

'Words really aren't enough to express how much our day meant to us. It was magical. Thank you again for everything you did for us, in the ceremony and getting everyone organised before. We couldn't have asked for anything better.' Emma + Paul

'After an amazing period celebrating our partnership, we really wanted to officially acknowledge and offer our immense thanks to you. It was a perfect ceremony. The words you wrote for us were beautiful. Simply the best day of our lives.' Heidi + Sam

'The beautiful bespoke ceremony was the most special part of the day. Our ceremony was US, about our 13 years together, how we've grown, how much we love each other. We will cherish the vows Hannah helped us write forever.' Neave + Patrick

'Thank you so much for such a wonderful experience. The naming ceremony was perfect for us: so personal and worded so beautifully. We really feel proud of what was created for Jenson that afternoon. The memories will be treasured forever.' Suzy + Jay

'So many comments about how beautiful our ceremony was, how great you were and how much they loved the idea of a humanist wedding. You were a big hit! Thank you so much for helping us to realise our dream.' Naomi

'Thank you for all you did in shaping and delivering our ceremony. Both of us feel you've given us such a gift: it was everything we wanted it to be and will stay with us for many years to come.' Natalie + Joe

'Thank you for your calming influence and beautifully written words. It was an emotional and deeply personal experience for us all. Lots of guests said they would now consider a similar ceremony - there can be no bigger compliment!'

Helen + Pierre

'Our absolutely beautiful ceremony meant so much to us and to our families and friends, so many commenting the most personal they had been to. So patient and professional with us both, you've been a star from start to finish.' Leigh + Tom

'Thank you so much from the bottom of our hearts for helping us on one of the most important days of our lives and sharing it with us. We'll never forget it. We are going to miss your emails now.' Miriam + Ray

'H. Best day of my life. No contest. Thank you SO much. xxxxx' Evening reception text from groom Ryan

'Having a Humanist ceremony meant a lot to me and you certainly delivered, creating the perfect script despite our delays. You were absolutely fantastic and choosing you was definitely the right decision. We had the best day of our lives.' Jo + Mark

'Our girls' naming was amazing. Thinking of the script still makes me cry now. Such a warm, welcoming person, Hannah gives your day that special touch of magic. I still get compliments to this day. We loved her so much.' Micheala + Liam

'We are celebrating our anniversary today and just remembering what a great day we had and how much you were a part of that!! Best wishes, Anthony & Jon x' Email on first anniversary

# 2 Beautiful bespoke writing

'Reading the script again has brought back that wonderful feeling of love and pride I experienced. We can't thank you enough for all you did to make the day so special. I would recommend you as a humanist Celebrant unreservedly.' Chris (parent)

'We were amazed at how you crafted what we had told you into a witty, loving and 'perfectly us' narrative. The balance of the script was 'just right', with some tears, and much laughter. Most importantly, Freddie's character really came through.'

Sarah + Alex

'This is BEAUTIFUL. You've captured the essence of our relationship perfectly. We both got teary just reading it, so not sure how we're going to make it through the day. Just reading this tonight has made us both very happy.' Lou + Dom On reading first draft

'Just read it! Now crying with the boiler repair man wondering what on earth is wrong with me. It's beautiful. I don't want to change anything. Those words beat everything - the best bit of the wedding by a mile.' Text from bride CJ

'It's not often enough people stop to think about why they work/what 'makes love happen': the only thing important on the day (and for our marriage). Condensing Rob and I into 40 minutes, every single line and word was us.' Layal + Rob

'Words cannot describe how amazing our wedding was! It felt just incredible to have everyone there, your words so powerful and intimate. Everyone was telling us how special it was. We will certainly be shouting about you from the rooftops!' Emma + Tom

'It was very important the ceremony be about us as a family and Hannah captured this perfectly, taking on board everything we'd discussed. Every single guest was blown away by its unique and personal style. There wasn't a dry eye.' Zoe + Chris

'I remember our vows as if they were 5 minutes ago. They summed up exactly what we mean to each other and what we stand for. They are the threads which make up our relationship. We live them every day.' Beci

'After a huge amount of work from her Hannah sent through our ceremony and we both had a tear in our eye, overwhelmed by how full of meaning it was. My husband is an ex-boxer. Crying isn't something he does!' Claire + Tommy

'This is absolutely amazing! I will admit I had a little cry reading it! It's completely beyond anything either of us expected.' Gemma + David On reading first draft

'The words you spoke captured the essence of two people who were committing themselves to a future together. Their vows were amazing and so personal – they'd obviously thought very carefully about what they wished to say to each other.' Caro (parent)

'We chose a Naming Day, not a Christening or Baptism, as entering a religion isn't something we feel should be done for you. Delighted by Hannah's approach, ideas and support, when we read her beautiful script, it made us cry!' Fran + Adi

'Our wedding was so perfect – equal parts romantic, moving and funny. If you're looking for unique and truly meaningful vows, don't hesitate in booking. Ours were absolutely amazing and meant so much to us. We cannot recommend Hannah highly enough!' Gillian + Ankit

'Adapting the script at the last minute to include the FaceTime feed meant my parents felt they were really there and Francesca's sister remarked it was lovely to hear about our relationship in our words, not just some predetermined phrases.' Diane

'It was such a relief to find someone who could convey romance without 'the cheese factor', perfectly capturing who we are and what marriage means to us. All our guests said how refreshing it was to feel part of it.' Ruth + Jon

'Thank you for this. I've just read it... I absolutely love it. It's amazing and exactly what we wanted!' Claire + Chris On reading first draft

'Wow! We absolutely loved the first draft - thank you so much! It's really interesting to see how the careful selection and ordering of ideas can have such a big impact – you're a very talented lady! It's pretty much perfect.' Sarah

'Hannah's guidance made our short legal ceremony one of the best days of our lives. She's now going to link it to the bespoke ceremony we're having later, creating a whole new wedding story for us. Couldn't be more excited!' Alison + Gareth

'This is absolutely brilliant!!! Thank you so much. It's amazing how seamlessly you have woven together our words and integrated them into the general flow of the ceremony.' Lou On reading first draft

'It was the personal nature of the ceremony, its well-judged blend of intimacy and emotion, which you brought out by all the planning, questions and well-wishing emails. As you'd expect, we were especially touched by the words of the children.' Miriam

'The whole day was perfect from start to finish so thank you so much for your part in that. Words mean so much on a day like yesterday and you expressed it beautifully.' Linda (mother of the groom)

'We needed help creating a bespoke piece of writing that explained how much we mean to one another, guidance to put our hearts down on paper, making sure we didn't miss anything vital. We got all of that and more.' Luke

'We couldn't be more happy with the decision to have you part of our wedding and we will remember your words forever. Literally everyone I spoke to commented how beautiful and personal the humanist ceremony was. I couldn't agree more!' Dionne + Damien

'The service was just beautiful, delivered to perfection. The words Hannah wrote about us and for us were exactly how we wanted it to be. We meant every word we said to one another, no stone unturned thanks to her.' Rachel + Mike

'Thank you for the beautiful script. It brings the day vividly to life and a tear to the eye. Thank you for all your work in creating such a meaningful humanist ceremony and for leading the day with such grace.' Janette + Lewis

'We absolutely LOVE it! It's beautiful, engaging, funny - a perfect reflection of our relationship and story. The vows are spot on, exactly what we'd like to say. Thank you, thank you, for writing such a beautiful piece for us.' Amanda On reading first draft

'Hannah, THIS IS AMAZING. Just so beautiful – so, so, much more than I had hoped. I have no clue at all how I'm going to manage on the day. Thank you so much – it will be the most fantastic wedding!' Claire On reading first draft

'The way you told our stories was very touching and we were able to listen to the ceremony as if for the first time. People were very surprised we hadn't known you all our lives, it reflected us so well.' Hannah + Pete

'Hannah, this is truly beautiful. We've both read the script with tears in our eyes. I'm blown away by how beautifully you've linked the words we each sent you and formed them into something so special. Thank you so much.' Melanie + Carl On reading first draft

'I've read the script a few times since the wedding, bringing the day and all the emotion that went with it, in an instant. It's truly wonderful we have something so uniquely personal to reminisce over. We will treasure it.' Lynsey

# 3 The effort I put in

'Thank you so much for such a fabulous job. I saw what care you took in ensuring everything was just perfect for Laura and Lee. A planner's dream, someone as organised as us! It has been lovely working with you.' Andrea – Fabulous Together

'You have this utterly lovely combination of authoritativeness and warmth - like everything's completely in hand. All your small details had a seismic effect on the feel of the ceremony. Even the string quartet were in tears. We'd never met!!!' Ayesha + Richard

'From initial meeting to the actual day Hannah made us feel special and important because she really does care, throwing herself into the process. We felt involved throughout and our baby girl's naming ceremony was fantastic, encompassing everything we wanted.' Claire + Paul

'Hannah really took time to get to know us, making the ceremony more than we could ever imagine, like a friend was conducting it. She has an amazing ability to make you feel you're the only couple she's working with.' Roisin + Paul

'The time and care and attention you put in was overwhelming, even down to timing arrivals so the songs we chose had the maximum impact. You are so, so good at what you do and clearly believe in it completely.' Caro + Karen

'Hannah not only organised and wrote the ceremony itself, she also liaised with the venue, photographer and videographer, ensuring that they knew the Order of Service in detail so they could capture all of the special moments during the ceremony.' Heidi + Sam

'You put so much effort into crafting a beautiful ceremony, allowing us freedom to input and adapt, which was perfect, including people close to us. It flowed and built momentum, tastefully and with all the gravitas a wedding ceremony should.' Becky + Ric

'Thought provoking questions from Hannah enabled her to write the most incredibly personalised ceremony: Martha's traits, our hopes, how she'd changed us. The guide-parent promises, all individual, meant a lot to us. We would love to do it all again!' Tammy + Jonathan

'During planning, you could tell it was going to be a very personalized ceremony, due to the amount of effort and care Hannah took. Exceptionally organised, it was one less thing to worry about, knowing she had everything in hand.' Laura + Steven

'Hannah managed the whole fantastic event so beautifully and ensured that everyone had rehearsed and knew exactly what they were meant to be doing and when. On the day we all felt relaxed and knew we were in good hands.' Claire + Tommy

'Thank you for taking the time to introduce yourself to all those people important to us, making them feel important too...for liaising with numerous suppliers...for making our special day even more so, memories that will be cherished by many forever.' Jen + Warren

'You went out of your way to make sure that everyone was taken care of. We've had so many messages since from people who absolutely loved the day – how 'us' it was. That's in no small part down to you.' Emma + Dan

'Thank you, thank you, thank you from the very bottom of my heart. You were truly fantastic, delivering the most wonderful words to our friends and family. Picking you was definitely one of the best decisions we made. Totally brilliant.' Carla + Ian

'From the beginning Hannah made it so special for our family, but her service went much further than the ceremony, staying behind and speaking to our guests. It was the first time we'd actually met; we felt we knew her.' Micheala

'We wouldn't hesitate in recommending Hannah if you are looking for a non religious but personal, heartfelt, light hearted yet moving ceremony. We cannot begin to say how pleased we were with the amazing end result – it was absolutely perfect.' Claire + Niall

'We contacted Hannah after seeing her perform our friends' ceremony, loving the fact we could personalise our vows. A joy to deal with throughout, always cheerful and responsive, she put a great deal of work into our day. It showed.'

Kate + Alec

'We're not sure if every humanist ceremony is conducted the way you approached it, but we cannot thank you enough for all your efforts gathering the information you needed to get a real feel for us and our family life.' Lisa + Barry

'The work you put in around the ceremony goes into making the whole day better: relaxed, happy couples who've crafted their wedding with you, understanding what they're doing and why, are always going to have a more positive, meaningful experience.' Becky

'Thank you so much for making our day as special as it was. We received so many comments about how beautiful the service was, feeling so lucky you conducted it. Your hard work and patience really paid off for us.' Kate + John

'It was a fantastic ceremony. We really appreciate everything that you did for us both in the run up and on the day itself - you have been brilliant. It was the best day we could ever have hoped for.' Jenni + Ben

'We were delighted with the ceremony: it felt really special. We couldn't have done that on our own. Thanks for putting us at ease, letting us feel in control of what was going on and making everything run so smoothly.' Ruth + Andy

'We really appreciate the time you took to get to know us to make the whole ceremony so personal. It felt very 'us' and friends and family were very touched by your beautiful words. We wouldn't hesitate to recommend you.' Sian + Chris

'A great naming ceremony which everyone enjoyed - everything we wanted. Teresa said you put in an awful lot of effort for Luca's ceremony and that is why we selected you for Amelie's special day – I'm so glad we did.' Natalie + Andrew

'You made us feel very much at ease, allowing us to enjoy all the more. Great at helping with guests, getting everyone to the marquee, I know that Stu was very appreciative of your help as he was very nervous.' Matilda

'THANK YOU so much for giving us the perfect wedding ceremony. From the first moment we spoke on the phone I felt that we had really clicked with you, conversation was easy and you allowed our ideas to develop naturally.' Emma

'We so appreciated the time and thought you put into preparing the script and the warmth with which you conducted the ceremony. People assumed you knew us well or we had written it ourselves, it had such a personal touch.'

Rhea + Doug

'Hannah put a lot of time in – with us at home, at the venue sorting logistics and, on the day, shepherding guests into the right locations and performing the ceremony. She took so much worry out of our wedding arrangements.' Janette + Neil

'Hannah was a complete professional from start to finish: at the venue with plenty of time to chat to those doing readings, making sure the room set up was as it should be. I truly knew we were in safe hands.' Tammy

'We received so many compliments and interested questions about the ceremony. Thank you for doing such a wonderful job both on the day and in constructing the story, being so supportive and helpful throughout the whole process. Everything went perfectly.' Jem + Mark

'We contacted Hannah only 3 weeks before our wedding but knew immediately we would be privileged to have her conduct our service. Communication was amazing and she worked so hard, producing an outstanding script. We couldn't have asked for more.' Melanie + Gareth

# 4 This unique creative process

'It's been a real pleasure to take this journey with you from the start, really thinking about who we are and what's important to us. Time and again guests have told us how personal, honest and beautiful the ceremony was.' Jess + James

'We thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience; the memories it brought back, the laughter and the tears as we thought about what we wanted to say. The ceremony itself was exactly what we had hoped for, full of laughter and love.'

Emma + Dan

'Hannah really guided us through the process and we therefore definitely learnt more about each other, marriage and how we felt. The time she invests getting to know you, asking the right questions and creating something beautiful really pays off.' Gillian + Ankit

'You have a way of making space to find all the love that lies just below the surface. The way you connected with our kids was so skilful, helping them find the words to describe family life. We're forever grateful.' Clare + Dave

'The whole process was wonderful, becoming an incredibly enjoyable part of the run up: we looked forward to our 'homework' every time, saving it to do with a glass of wine. Your support has been invaluable. You're an absolute delight.' Liz + Steve

'Hannah delivered a perfect ceremony for our combined wedding and baby naming celebrations. Her ability to ask the right questions, listen carefully and understand what we wanted was evident in her brilliant script. She was a fantastic choice for us.' Grace

'We really enjoyed the process of working with Hannah and found by sharing our experiences and seeing the ceremony come together only heightened our excitement, especially the bits we had written independently, kept as a surprise until the actual ceremony.' Charlie + Jarrad

'Heartfelt thanks for your warmth, humour and patience. We were delighted, moved and inspired by what you crafted from our words and the whole experience of hearing and speaking them was profoundly meaningful and joyful. Many guests shed a tear.' Deb + Anoob

'It's not easy to open up to a stranger, but your warmth and caring nature put us at ease. In fact, the journey you took us on really helped strengthen our bond, affirming the reasons why we were getting married.' Emily + Simon

'We really enjoyed the process and were delighted with the script. We now miss Hannah's 'getting to know you' emails – some were easy, some make you think, but the result is a truly personal ceremony that totally reflects your relationship.' Kathy + Alan

'The whole process was flawless. The way we constructed our ceremony step-by-step was easily managed. No question was a stupid one. Before we found Hannah stress levels were high, but after our first conversation a weight had been lifted and our minds soothed.' Luke + Ewan

'Reading what John had to say, and the fact that he found it easy to say it, confirmed we were marrying for the right reasons and emphasized that we wanted the same things in our relationship after the "Big Day".' Megan

'Thank you for your ongoing support and perfectly worded emails...for helping us to work out how best to say what we wanted...for making our ceremony everything we had imagined – and then some – and the whole process of building it so beautiful too.' Jen + Warren

'Hannah came with a strong recommendation which was much deserved. Detailed planning leading up to the day was key, using what we grew to recognise as her "emotionally intelligent" approach. Our wedding was a truly magic occasion, bespoke to us.' Diana + Stephen

'We cannot describe how happy we were with what you delivered on the day. Not only on the day, but the whole process from when we first got in touch to the beautiful ceremony you gave was an absolute pleasure.' Laura

'Working with Hannah is very much a partnership, work involved on both sides. The process of answering questions is both fun and thought-provoking, reinforcing the reasons you've chosen to marry. She then weaves the information into a highly personalised ceremony.' Janette + Neil

'Neither of us can put into words how incredible our little boy's naming was. The whole process was met with such warmth, we couldn't have asked for a single thing more. Hannah takes everything you want and makes it perfect!'

Liz + Steve

'Hannah was very flexible and patient and the process was fun, thinking about what we appreciate most about the other, making the ceremony just how we wanted it. The day itself was more than we could ever have wished for.' Lou + Matt

'From your own words, Hannah crafts a wonderful emotional journey through your relationship to the present day and beyond. Our friends and family were bowled over with our ceremony – feeling it was so "us", capturing us as a couple perfectly.' Claire + Niall

'We were both surprised how much we enjoyed the tasks Hannah set along the way – they gave us a break from manic party planning and an opportunity to reflect on each other and all the reasons we were getting married.' Jen + Jon

'You gave a very special personal touch to all our meetings before the big day and your 'homework assignments' really made each of us think about the commitment we were making to each other and putting that commitment into words.' Laura + Lee

'Your lovely emails really helped us enjoy the build up and your ceremony had our voices behind it. Delighted with how it all went, largely down to you, we're so pleased we found such a thoughtful, kind and professional person.' Matilda + Stuart

'Hannah helped keep the stress to a minimum by breaking the process down into small manageable stages, which really helped keep us on track. She is an amazing Celebrant and an even more amazing woman who we would thoroughly recommend.' Chris + Alexa

'Hannah made the process very easy: setting tasks and taking time to get to know us, making the ceremony more personal on the day. She also liaised with friends and family for surprise readings which were beautiful. Everybody loved her.' Angela + Tom

'If I had to pick one thing, it'd be the process. Asking various questions, Hannah gave us space to reflect on our relationship/what we wanted in marriage. It's not often you commit to paper what you love about your partner.' Meg

'One of the most special things was how Hannah involved family and friends and made them feel important. The process made us realise what it was that we loved so much about each other, but sometimes just forget to say.' Kay + Andy

'It was fun to answer Hannah's questions, taking time to think about how we felt, capturing that in words. She was very encouraging, giving tips and examples whenever necessary so we were never left alone staring at a blank page!' Jemma + Mark

'Thank you with all of our hearts for everything: guiding us through with warmth and good humour; crafting the most personal and touching ceremony and bossing the whole organisational thing, corralling our rag-tag bunch into a slickly oiled wedding machine.' Hannah + Pete

'Working with Hannah over 9 months was stress free and a whole lot of fun. We thoroughly enjoyed reflecting on our 10 years together. The personal touches from friends and family, contributions she wrote so effortlessly, were a wonderful surprise.' Heidi + Sam

'We are so happy everything went so well. I've really enjoyed the email exchanges beforehand and admit feeling slightly giddy whenever I saw your name appear in the inbox! I hope it won't be the last time we see you.' Helen + Simon

# 5 Bespoke writing: a wonderful opportunity

'Everyone was blown away and we're just so grateful they were able to feel as though they knew our baby boy. Your incredible talent enabled that. He was so special, so loved, it means the world that we shared this.' Sarah + Alex

'From the moment we entered the ceremony the atmosphere was electric. It was so personal to them and us, there was so much love, that there was not a dry eye in the room. We are still feeling extremely blessed.' Sharon + Dave

'We're so glad we found you, making the decision to prioritise the ceremony. It set the tone for a wonderful day to follow - not to mention setting the tone for the way we want to live our lives together.' Jess + James

'Friends and family talk about our 3 special naming days constantly: full of laughter, fun and tears of joy along with serious commitments made to support our children through life. Many friends, now considering similar, thank us for the inspiration.' Victoria + Richard

'We stepped into the unknown with our elopement: plans cancelled, everything on hold, families apart. A constant source of inspiration and reassurance, Hannah's support put all our emotions into words - which will stay with us for the rest of our lives.' Alison + Gareth

'It was everything we could have wished for: kick starting the day and setting the tone. You're brilliant. So many said it was the best wedding ceremony they'd been part of: the perfect mix of love, sincerity and humour. Magical.' Jo + Sam

'The humanist ceremony was the centre point of our day: the main event, the most important and symbolic – our true wedding ceremony. It allowed us to personalise it entirely and ensure everything included was truly meaningful and right for us.' Becky + Ric

'It was important to me that the ceremony should be so personal and that we were afforded the opportunity to tell our story, in our way and enjoy every moment of it – your ceremony enabled us to do exactly that.' Debbie

'Few knew what to expect from a humanist ceremony. They've all since told us how appropriate, moving and full of joy the experience was, many wishing they'd celebrated theirs with the same depth of feeling. We cannot thank you enough.'

Helen + Dave

'Everyone thought our ceremony captured the essence of us as a couple and had everything – laughter, tears and joy! We both thought it was the best way possible for us to celebrate our marriage and set up a fantastic day.' Claire + Niall

'The feedback has been amazing (tears of happiness from guests) with everyone telling us all day they've never been to a ceremony like it. Hannah is your only option if you want an A-class wedding. We cannot thank her enough.' Luke

'The emotion was like nothing I've experienced: it was like time stood still and we were all in this little love bubble. It was such a precious day and memory. We're so pleased we found you to take our ceremony.' Louise

'Many people commented it was the most emotional ceremony they'd ever attended, they completely understand why Emma and Ted chose to have a humanist ceremony and they felt involved in a way that would never have been possible in church.' Caro (parent)

'We were apprehensive when we first contacted Hannah – not having heard of naming ceremonies before. Immediately reassured we were in the right hands, we couldn't believe how perfectly she put everything together, making us even more excited for the day.' Kim + Danny

'Our wedding was the most amazing day made perfect by a ceremony all about our lives together, love for each other and the future. You made it magical, like a dream come true. We are so grateful we found you.' Angela

'We certainly chose well when we picked you. Having never been to a humanist naming ceremony we didn't really know what to expect, but you guided us through the process with professionalism and commitment. Such a special and memorable day.' Adele + Jon

'We're not sure we could have had a better ceremony. It was such an important and symbolic part of our day we really wanted something extraordinary. The level of emotion, mixed with sincerity and humour, truly represented us as people.' Heidi

'We really appreciate the time and effort you put into getting to know us, creating a ceremony which was so apt. I really think it set the atmosphere for the party that followed. You honestly couldn't have done it better.' Victoria

'A religious ceremony didn't seem fitting and a civil ceremony seemed regimented. We wanted a ceremony about us, where we've been and where we're going. When we looked into a Humanist ceremony we knew we'd found the one for us.' Tom

'We're so happy you were part of our day. So many commented how amazing the ceremony was - the perfect way for us to share how we see marriage with those important to us. We couldn't have asked for more.' Sarah + Adam

'It was the epitome of bespoke and consequently meant all the more. We'll treasure the words forever, knowing they were just for us and true to us. The vows we made in our humanist ceremony were unquestionably our wedding vows.' Becky

'I can't even begin to describe how perfect our wedding was. You made us feel so at ease, taking care of every detail and on the most wonderful journey in the ceremony itself. The ceremony absolutely made the whole day!' Jade + Tom

'To an absolute person, we have received glowing feedback on both you and the ceremony, which people feel was a real, genuine and memorable celebration of our relationship. On a personal level, it was an absolute pleasure working with you.' Amanda + Cass

'We chose a naming ceremony over other services as we really wanted a unique, personal and special day, sharing the birth of our baby with all our friends and family in a relaxed and happy environment – bespoke, especially for us.' Victoria

'I just wanted to thank you. You did a remarkable job. Listening to the eulogy you wrote brought back so many happy memories of Phil, it was a fantastic tribute. You gave him the best send off ever. Forever grateful.' Carolyn

'It's difficult to know what to say! Thank you so much for all your hard work, patience and hand holding through the process. We both feel so privileged we had a wedding which was so joyful and perfect for us.' Becca + Jon

'We can't imagine a more fitting celebration to welcome Nancy to the world. The fact you did both our children's namings just made it even more special. We felt as though we were welcoming a friend back to our home.' Nicola + Simon

'I felt so at ease (I usually hate public speaking) and will always remember looking at everyone and Michael looking at me while you so eloquently told our story - a story I'm so proud of. You completely did it justice.' Lynsey + Michael

'Huge, huge, huge thanks. We were 100% over the moon with your work. You truly made the ceremony ours and we will never be able to thank you enough for everything you did. You are definitely in the perfect job.' Sally + Sean

'During the early stages of our wedding planning, we were debating what type of ceremony to have. We'd arranged the legal element, but we wanted something more personal and memorable. Then we stumbled across Hannah and everything fell into place.' Janette + Neil

## 6 The difference I can make

'It was so, so touching – how you phrased your words and how they were delivered. I have to say your ceremony was the most beautiful ceremony we have heard at a wedding. It was absolutely perfect.' Tobiah – Tobiah Tayo Photography (Top 50 UK)

'A close friend messaged the next day saying we were the couple everybody wanted to be: it was the ceremony and wedding that every couple wanted to have. So much of that was your doing: beautiful writing, coordination and delivery.' Jess + Craig

'We asked Hannah to lead our third naming ceremony, wanting an extra special day for family and friends. If we did ever decide to have a 4th (!), there would be no alternative to her. We can't recommend her enough.' Neil + Sarah

'The amount of people that told us our ceremony was the best one they've ever attended is testament to your work. This wouldn't have been possible without your expertise, knowledge and amazing presence. From the bottom of our hearts... thank you.' Heidi + Sam

'Hannah took what we were trying to say and transformed it into a ceremony telling our story, truly reflecting who we are as a couple. There's not a single moment we'd change. Impossible without Hannah's guidance, it was utterly perfect.' Charlie

'I can't recommend Hannah highly enough. She played a huge part in making our children's Naming Days such beautiful experiences, which everyone enthused about (there were a few teary eyes). Once again, it has been a delight working with her.' Naomi

'You're a true star! You should hear the feedback - it is outstanding. We all agree that the decision to go with a humanist ceremony was absolutely correct, the decision to go with Hannah W-G was a stroke of genius.' Rosie (mother of the bride)

'From your regular kind messages helping us organise, to your help managing people and ensuring things ran smoothly on the day, through to the heartfelt ceremony which meant we honestly didn't stop smiling all evening, you were absolutely indispensable.' Sarah + Dan

'Choosing a Humanist ceremony was the first step in creating our perfect day. Choosing Hannah to be our Celebrant – the icing on the cake! From start to finish, she was absolutely charming, really tapping in on the 'feel' we were hoping to achieve.' Mai Mai + Martyn

'Having Hannah as our wedding Celebrant was a huge highlight of our special day – she had such wonderful presence. We wholeheartedly recommend her as the Celebrant who will make your wedding day so much more meaningful than another ever could.' Saskia + Paul

'A HUGE thank you for all your incredible work, patience and support leading to and on the day. I am so glad of your involvement, delivering such a beautiful ceremony. It really was an absolute pleasure to work with you.' Helen – Helen Eriksen Weddings

'Our day wouldn't have been what it was without your guidance and support throughout. From the initial (epic) call to your awesome guest herding on the day you were very much a part of our wedding and the boys' naming.' Susie + Matt

'My partner wanted just the official words at the registry office but after much negotiation she agreed to also have a humanist ceremony at home. This became one of the very best parts of the day - thanks to Hannah.' Gemma + Jane

'The ceremony actually became Michael's favourite part of the day (a huge compliment from an introvert!) and definite highlight for us both. A colleague said if he could do his again like that, he would. So meaningful, he welled up.' Lynsey

'Guiding us brilliantly, Hannah produced a personal, touching and beautifully delivered service. Guests still tell me the best wedding they have ever been to. A perfect day, due in no small part to her. I would highly, highly recommend her.' Jessica + Karl

'Hannah was such an integral part of our wedding she was a natural choice for our sons' naming ceremonies. We got a similarly wonderful, personal and hands-on experience extending well beyond the day itself, making the days even more memorable.' Jen + James

'On the day, it was fantastic to have Hannah there. She talked to (and remembered!) friends and family, helped direct staff and organised all our ushers, making sure everyone knew what to do and taking all the pressure off us.' Ruth + Andy

'We knew 10 minutes after meeting you would be the perfect person to make our wedding the day we had dreamed of. We didn't get the same wonderful feeling from anyone else. You made the occasion emotional, meaningful and happy.' Sarah + Alistair

'We would certainly recommend Hannah to anyone thinking of a Humanist ceremony of any type. Without her help and support, we'd never have had such an uplifting, emotional and wonderful ceremony experience. It was a pleasure to work with her.' Melanie + Gareth

'Thank you again. We both loved the ceremony and we had so many people come up to us who felt the same. That wouldn't have been the case without all your efforts. I'll be recommending you to all our friends!' Arj

'Our wedding day was so special because of you. You eloquently and sincerely portrayed our feelings, relationship and love for each other. Because of you the ceremony was perfect in every way. We cannot thank you enough.' Jane + Russ

'Hannah inspired confidence. In her preparation, she liaised with the hotel's wedding planner and all the other key contributors such as the photographer, florist and musician, not forgetting the family members who had key roles. It all ran seamlessly.' Diana + Stephen

'Neither of us could be accused of being overly organised or particularly prompt – pretty key qualities when wedding planning. However, with your help and guidance, we're happy to say our day was an absolutely amazing success and ran so smoothly.' Sarah

'We can't stop talking about our perfect day: exactly what we wanted - in large part down to you. Reading your testimonials, I knew I had to call. The second we spoke, I felt you really understood what we wanted.' Steph

'It was a delight to have Hannah with us on the day: she brought calm and reassurance to a fairly nerve racking experience. Her friendly yet professional persona meant everyone involved immediately felt at ease, looking to her for guidance.' Natalia + Jon

'A ceremony which perfectly reflected us, our story and what we hope to be. The essence of what we believed about marriage transformed into a beautifully-worded script. We wouldn't have been able to create so something so "us" without Hannah.' John

'As soon as Hannah answered the phone I knew she was the Celebrant for us: warm, funny, interested and open to ideas. With her guidance we were able to create a ceremony that had true meaning, completely unique to us.' Liz + Chris

'Soooo many people have told us how much they enjoyed Grace's naming ceremony, though new to a lot of them. It was such a relief to have you there and know that you knew how to do things 'just right'.' Kate + Dave

'Thank you so much for all your input into pre-wedding preparations that resulted in a seamless ceremony and for involving us all in the proceedings in such a special and intimate way. You made an extremely wonderful day even better.' Caro (parent)

'We initially got in touch about a wedding service at home, but Hannah quickly became an integral part of the day/our lives beforehand. She played a major role in a roaring success. People still talk about it 3 months on.' Rachel + Mike

# 7 An investment in yourself

'Choosing a wedding Celebrant seemed an impossible task – we wouldn't really know we'd made the right choice until the wedding was over. Yes, we had cheaper quotes, but we decided to trust our instincts, and booked Hannah. BEST. DECISION. EVER!' Jen + Jon

'I'll take time to write later, but just wanted to thank you. Employing your services was without a doubt the money best spent on our wedding. Thank you so much for all your time, effort and enthusiasm for our day.' Claire + Kim

'Thank you very much for creating such a fantastic ceremony. We have enjoyed every step of the process - especially how it has kept our focus on what is really important rather than trivial wedding 'stuff'. With huge thanks.' Suze + Rohan

'We were thrilled to have you as our Celebrant. From the first conversation, you instilled complete confidence in us that you'd make our wedding personal and of great meaning. We'll enjoy reading the script you crafted in years to come.' Emily + Simon

'Delighted with how it went, the ceremony was everything we could have wished for. We've really enjoyed the whole journey with you: it has certainly made us think about our relationship and what we want out of our future together.' Beccy + Mark

'The cost of hiring Hannah reflects her experience, enthusiasm and professionalism. We approached cheaper Celebrants: none gave the feeling our wedding was as important to them as us or they'd be as involved as she was crafting a perfect day.' Roisin + Paul

'A super thank you, again, for a great ceremony. Everyone said the ceremony was just right for Henry. I have loved every minute of organizing the two naming ceremonies we have had and thoroughly enjoyed working with you both times.' Kim

'The sequence of the ceremony was seamless, not a dry eye on the beach. Whilst Eli is likely too young, Isaac will forever remember how much fun everyone had. We have beautiful pictures of him gazing at the hand fasting.' Susie + Matt

'You made our day truly special. It was an absolutely beautiful ceremony, the one thing we keep remembering and our favourite part of the whole day. You really are Yorkshire's best Celebrant! We will never forget how perfect you were.' Chim + Ian

'Hannah is a fantastic Celebrant. People are still telling us it's the best ceremony they have ever seen. It had everything we hoped for: love, laughter and tears. She helped us make memories forever and we cannot thank her enough.'

Angela + Tom

'I am so, so impressed and happy we chose you. It was just wonderful and wouldn't have been had the ceremony not been so perfect. Even sceptical Mum was happy - that probably says it all. You should charge more!!' Becky

'We are still on Cloud Nine, we're so happy with the humanist service that you did for us. It was our favourite part of the whole wedding. EVERYONE has commented on it afterwards. Thank you for making it so special.' Victoria + Olly

'I KNEW you would do an incredible job the moment I called. If you'd charged 5 times as much, I'd have paid without flinching. I just don't think we could have imagined how perfect it would be on the day.' Layal + Rob

'Everyone has complimented your work and found it to be a very intimate ceremony which you managed to bring together just as we imagined it to be. I don't usually get emotional easily, but you brought tears of happiness throughout.' Kulthoum

'Thank you so much for our wonderful ceremony – something we'll remember for the rest of our lives, as will many of our guests I've been told! There'd be nothing at all I would do differently. Perfect in every single way.' Stu

'We've been to a few Humanist wedding ceremonies now and (I am not just being biased when I say this!) it was by far the best, as the effort that went into getting to know us really made the difference.' Laura + Steven

'Even after our vows, Hannah continued to look out for us, making our day go as brilliantly as possible. We could have gone for a cheap, Registry Office wedding, but we've never regretted the investment we made in hiring her.' Lizzy + Mark

'I can't speak highly enough of Hannah and the personal service she offers. It's totally unique and brilliant. Although I don't want to share her I do think everyone should meet her while considering what sort of ceremony to have.' CJ

'So many friends and family commented how sincere and professional your ceremony was, many with a much better understanding of why we chose a Humanist ceremony. We could not recommend you highly enough to any couple planning their big day.' Sarah + Dan

'Thank you so much for creating and delivering such a beautiful ceremony. We both thought it was perfect for us as a couple and exactly how we wanted it to be. You made our wedding the best it could be.' Fran + Chris

'We knew we wanted a wedding ceremony with a difference, one that represented us a couple and with individual vows written to each other. From the instant we talked to Hannah, we knew we could entrust her with our ceremony.'

Louise + Matt

'Thank you for thinking of everything from 'first questions' to 'practicalities'...for your calmness and professionalism on the morning of the wedding and throughout, putting everyone at ease...for making our family and friends laugh heartily and cry (uncontrollably in some cases!).' Jen + Warren

'You made a great impression, before, during and after the naming ceremony – it was by far the best bit of the day. Everyone couldn't stop talking about it afterwards! It was everything we had hoped for. A very special day.' Pru + Gavin

'We'd like to sincerely thank Hannah for all the help and advice she gave us before, during and after our wedding. We thought we were getting a Celebrant – turns out we were getting an editor, advisor and box mover too!' Ruth + Andy

'From start to finish Hannah was fantastic – impressive organisation, expert guidance, pep talks, reassurance and her calm approach, we couldn't have asked for more. Some of our guests have said they would now choose a humanist ceremony because of it.' Lou + Dave

'We can't thank you enough for enabling our perfect wedding. You were relaxed, confident, helpful, flexible and funny - the utmost professional. We couldn't have asked for more from you. It was a dream. So, so, so very worth it.' Becky + Ric

'The amount soon became irrelevant as we now know every penny spent was 100% worth it. You only get married once and we found that all the small thought through details were the ones that meant the most to us.' Lou

'Behind the brilliance of the ceremony lies a lot of hard work guests don't see. Messages and meetings were always practical and insightful. There was never any doubt we could trust Hannah with such an important moment in our lives.' Lizzy

'We just wanted to say how happy we were with everything you did. We loved the ceremony so much and many friends loved it so much they are considering humanist ceremonies themselves (we will of course forward through your details).' Saskia + Paul On honeymoon

'Thank you for all your care and attention. You are amazing! Everyone loved the ceremony: it was unique, moving and beautiful. I hope we can stay in touch. P.S You don't charge enough!!' Nicky

## 8 My performance style

'Your delivery was brilliant, holding the energy and filling the space. It felt so safe, perfect and sacred (not a word I've used before). We deliberated every decision about our wedding. You were absolutely the best choice we made.' Ayesha + Richard

'Thank you for your calming influence, humour, the effort made with our families and friends and the atmosphere you created for the naming ceremony. We wanted them all to know how important, appreciated and loved they are. We achieved that.' Jess + Scott

'Your kindness and empathy were much appreciated, making the preparation easy, and your calm, encouraging, light-hearted but grounding presence made for a beautiful renewal of vows. We've had amazing feedback. We did, as you said, 'hit it out the park'.' Clare + Dave

'We'd already read the script, but were blown away with how it felt to actually do and the reaction in our loved ones – everyone talking about how emotional, personal and 'us' it was. You were the best decision we made.' Amy

'Our ceremony was the highlight of our entire day: emotional, personal and encapsulating our relationship perfectly. Hannah had everyone captivated from start to finish. Our ceremony lasted 43 minutes: 43 minutes of pure joy. We didn't want it to end.' Heidi + Sam

'You're such a warm, humorous and sincere Celebrant with an abundance of social skills, who without fail had us crying, laughing and profoundly moved throughout the whole event. My first words afterwards were 'I want her for my funeral!' Rosie

'Our wedding honestly would not have been what it was without your recommendations on room layout, logistics, your amazing delivery of the ceremony and stage presence and not least your crowd control skills. Forever the best day of our lives.' Sharon + Dave

'Your calm and warmth instantly helped us relax and enjoy the day. Your delivery was perfect and you were unflappable, despite the crowded, hot room and football playing baby! A month on, friends and family are still talking about it.'

Sarah + Alex

'It was the perfect ceremony for us – personal, sincere and beautifully delivered. To hear it all come together with family and friends as witnesses meant so much. Thank you so much for all your time, wisdom, sense and direction throughout.' Jess + James

'We've spent all week talking about what a lovely day we had. All our guests commented how warm and personable the naming ceremony was and how much they enjoyed your delivery – all down to you! We can't thank you enough!'

Adam + Hannah

'Hannah was so amazing at our son's naming we couldn't imagine welcoming our daughter another way. Once again she did a tremendous job of capturing our emotions in a sincere yet light hearted way. I can't recommend her highly enough.' Cheryl

'As for the script – wow, I don't know where to start... It was truly perfect. To have something that personal delivered in such a beautiful and heartfelt way was so special. It exceeded any expectations we had of the whole process.' Laura + Paul

'Lots of family and friends (including usually unimpressed, super-cool and picky types) said they were surprised how much they enjoyed our ceremony. Thank you Hannah for making our wedding day the warm, fun, relaxed celebration of 'us' that it was.' Jen + Jon

'Thanks again for such a wonderful naming. Your delivery was perfect – even when upstaged by Amelia - the right amount of sentiment and sincerity with a touch of humour. It goes without saying I will be recommending you to everyone.' Debbie + Mike

'Hannah delivered our ceremony with the right amount of gravitas, warmth and humour, involving key people in the room both before and during so it really felt like a team effort. There was laughter, tears, smiles and joy all round.' Claire + Niall

'We just wanted to thank you again. The lovely event was just what we wanted: a great balance of relaxed formality, humour and love. We look forward to receiving the copy of the ceremony next week. We will cherish it.' Jen + Gray

'The ceremony and your delivery was everything we hoped for – solemn when required, with a dollop of fun – you really did make our guests laugh and cry. Thank you for sharing our special day and marrying us in such style.' Janette + Neil

'Hannah was a calm, professional presence on the day and knowing that she had control made everybody's life easier. All our guests commented on the wonderful performance she had delivered, gushing over how interesting, personalised and enjoyable it had been.' Jemma + Mark

'It was the most amazing day. Thank you so much for conducting the ceremony in a thoughtful, responsive and sensitive way that made the event totally memorable for everyone involved. Your calm spirit and support was tremendously helpful.' Ginny (parent)

'I just wanted to say a huge, huge thank you. We had the best day and the ceremony was perfect. So many people commented on how lovely and personal the ceremony was and how well it was delivered by you.' Laura + Ben

'The ideas, advice and reassurance were yours, but we always felt it was our day. Genuine, relaxed, heartfelt and light-hearted, the script really put into words how we feel about each other. You certainly know how to keep an audience!' Steph + Mike

'As a Celebrant Hannah is charismatic and captivating and her ability to read people as a couple and individuals an excellent asset. We felt an instant connection and she became more than our Celebrant. We now consider her a friend.' Chris + Alexa

'We wanted a naming day everyone could be involved in and enjoy, no matter what their background or beliefs. Hannah supported us throughout and delivered a very touching ceremony, exactly how we wanted it to be. We couldn't be happier.' Sarah + Rob

'You were everything we wanted. The process brought back so many memories and it was not only wonderful but helpful to share after II years. You then expertly set the scene on the day, even handling lions and peacocks with aplomb!' Beci + Martin

'We're so pleased we chose Hannah as our Celebrant - from the beginning she was extremely warm and friendly. On the day she was heartfelt, moving many guests to tears with her words. We would thoroughly recommend her to anyone.' Laura + Steven

'The beautiful service that you wrote for our wedding was our favourite part of the day. It was perfect, very personal and really brought our love story to life. Every one of our guests commented how much they enjoyed it.' Victoria

'We're so, so grateful to you. From start to finish you were just incredible, so helpful and supportive. The ceremony, delivered so wonderfully, was perfect and brought most people to tears. It was everything we could've dreamt of and more!' Sam + Josh

'On the day we were completely blown away. The ceremony Hannah created for us was perfect: she had 140 people laughing and crying in all the right places. We'll never be able to recreate such an amazing 30 minutes!' CJ

'Throughout the beautiful ceremony close friends and family were made to feel involved and special; you really made an effort to get to know us in preceding weeks which was apparent during the ceremony. Your delivery and content were perfect.' Ellie + Tim

'We can't thank you enough. Thank you for sorting us all out and managing the ceremony; thank you for such a warm, funny and intimate ceremony; thank you for all your reassurance and care with us all.' Sam

## 9 Loved ones involved and impressed

'It was nothing short of magical, thank you for your part in making it so. I've never been to a ceremony quite like it. Not just my words, I'm echoing many compliments from all who had the pleasure to attend.' Susan (mother of the groom)

'Family and friends called yesterday, and we re-lived the day from start to finish again. At one point I sat back and watched and listened to them all talking with such admiration for you that it brought me to tears.' Angela + Dave

'We were delighted and proud both our daughters chose you to help them celebrate their marriages. We can't thank you enough for all you did, making their days so personal, memorable and special, absolutely capturing the essence of their relationships.' Chris + John (parents)

'After all my stressing, our wedding ceremony couldn't have been more perfect or special. Both sets of parents haven't been able to stop raving about it and lots of people said it was one of the happiest weddings they attended.' Becca + Jon

'We're lucky enough to be close friends with an amazing (and extremely critical) professional cellist, who literally goes to hundreds of weddings annually. So when he told us ours was the best he's ever seen, we knew we'd nailed it!' Jen + Jon

'I'd like to record our grateful thanks for the not inconsiderable part you played making today a resounding success. It was a pleasure to be guided, in your safe hands, through the most important thing Vicky and Matt have done.' Judy + Phil (parents)

'I'm not sure when I'll come down from Cloud 9, you did the most sterling job for us. Everyone loved the ceremony and I've never seen so many men crying. You were simply amazing. It couldn't have been more perfect.' Nancy

'All the work Hannah put in speaking to guide parents, coordinating readings and clarifying details meant the lead-up was wonderfully relaxed and this carried over into the naming itself. Guests were bowled over by the beautiful, touching and personal ceremony.' Naomi + Dan

'Thank you very much for a lovely service. It was spot on. As you can imagine we were very proud Grandparents.' Arthur + Betty (bride's grandparents)

'We've lost count of how many commented how well it suited us, how enjoyable and personal it was. My sister welled up saying how special it was to hear her words in the well-wishing. We really can't thank you enough.' Melanie + Carl

'We lost track of the number who came up to us both during and after the day to tell us how much they loved it, how touched they were by what you said and how impressed they were with you.' Natalie + Joe

'Thank you so much for including us in the beautiful ceremony for Diane and Francesca. Not present, we still felt a part of it. We both thought it very moving. We are very happy they picked you for their Celebrant.' Jim + Cath (parents)

'So many commented on how much effort Hannah made with them during and after the ceremony, how the day felt very personal, emotional and fun. In fact, a few who were rather 'anti-marriage' have said they've been rethinking their position.' Ruth + Andy

'Everything about our beautiful ceremony was perfect. So many guests were blown away by how personal and meaningful it was. Many who are already married said if they ever had their time again, they'd be getting in touch with you!' Victoria + Nick

'We were over the moon at the way the whole event was planned and carried out. The well researched and moving way that you conducted the vows was right on the button, making the day a memory for us to treasure forever.' Frank (father of the bride)

'Many people said they'd never experienced such a wonderful ceremony (including their own weddings) - such a potent mix of joy and sincerity that everyone felt they were part of something special. The best researched and most touching humanist ceremony possible.' Rosie

'Thank you so much for the absolute pleasure of being part of your service. It was my first experience attending and speaking at a celebration like Wilf's and I loved being part of such an intimate, special and wholesome experience.' Harriet (guide-parent)

'Ours was such a beautiful ceremony. Everyone still talks to us about it and we can't praise you enough for making our day as special as it was. Our friends were so impressed they've contacted you for their own wedding!' Natalie + Clayton

'Thank you so much for making yesterday so wonderful and all of your help. You really make us feel so special during the ceremony. So many friends and family commented how they felt privileged to be a part of it.' Jen + James

'Yesterday was my first experience of a humanist celebration – what a lovely occasion. It was so uniquely personal, very moving and so wonderful to share with such special friends. Thank you.' Claire (message from contributor and guest)

'Our guests told us afterwards how right the ceremony was for us and our relationship. The day flowed effortlessly and the months of hard work putting together the perfect ceremony really paid off. How perfect you made it for us.' Bobbie + Rebecca

'You made each and every one of us feel such a special part of an intelligent, very personalised and emotional ceremony. The most telling praise was from our teenager, so touched by it he wants you to lead his wedding!' Debbie (parent)

'After the ceremony, guests told us how blown away they had been by the whole experience. Most had never even heard of a humanist ceremony. Several told us it was the most loving and joyful wedding they had been to.' Claire + Tommy

'I have no doubt our guests saw the humanist ceremony as the important, focal, conclusive one, 'the real wedding'. So many have commented on how it was the best wedding they've been to, even after 40 years of wedding attendances.' Becky + Ric

'I just wanted to say a huge thank you for making Dan and Sarah's wedding so special. It was very meaningful and just 'them'. I especially loved the symbolism of the ribbon tying. Sending you love and best wishes.' Jo (mother of the groom)

'Saying thank you doesn't seem enough. We've had so many compliments and I firmly believe that people are being completely genuine when they say that it was the most beautiful and moving wedding ceremony that they have ever been to.' Jocelyn + John

'We'd like to thank you very much for helping Jen and Warren celebrate their special day in such a special way. You delivered their own words in just the right way. We could not have asked for a better day.' Ellen + Derrick (bride's parents)

'Absolutely everyone said how heart-warming the naming ceremony was. They all thought it was the best they'd been to, even thinking you were a friend you were so natural. An amazing experience, far better than we could have hoped for.' Cheryl + Dean

'Thanks from the bottom of my heart for your ability to pass on the love Marie and James share together - such a wonderful and memorable day. Your words, I'm sure I speak for everybody, gave warmth, joy and hope.' Frankie (parent)

'You were amazing. Everybody absolutely loved the ceremony, asking about it afterwards and commenting they were converted. It was so beautiful, special and memorable I wish I could press repeat. We honestly can't thank or recommend you highly enough.' Kelly + Steven

#### 10 A decade of experience

'Hannah has been a delightful, warm and wise guide with a real talent for getting to the root of what we wanted to capture. We wanted something truly personal: her skill and experience gave us just that. She is brilliant.' Lizzy + Mark

'The creative phase was such a lovely period of our engagement. It's impossible to describe how perfectly Hannah met our needs – experience shows in everything she says and does. Safe to say she's even had an impact on our marriage.' Megan + John

'Hannah is more than a Celebrant: part wedding planner, bride counsellor and chief calmer-downer. There was never a time when she didn't deliver great advice to any kind of drama! I think she has probably seen it all. It showed.' Rachel

'From the beginning of our wedding planning we knew we wanted to construct our ceremony wording ourselves, but that was never going to happen. Where to even begin? Hannah was the answer - to the question and all our problems.'

Luke + Ewan

'You guided us with utter calm and the ceremony you created was overwhelmingly beautiful, evidenced by barely a dry eye. So, so many people commented how long you must have known us to put together something so personal and fitting.' Caro + Karen

'Hannah was an absolute pleasure to work with: supporting throughout, listening to ideas and giving her honest opinion, always ensuring the final decision was ours. With a wealth of knowledge in her field, she really does go the extra mile.' Natalia + Jon

'Hannah is truly a ray of sunshine: thoughtful, jolly and considerate. During wedding days when all is time dependent, highly emotional and sometimes chaotic, she is a calm presence, bringing her unique wit and wisdom. We love working with her.' Alex (venue owner)

'Another wonderful touch Hannah suggested was that we stood facing our guests. It was so lovely to share our love and happiness together, laughing and crying with our loved ones. This only heightened the emotion and connection we all felt.' Heidi + Sam

'Hannah's advice to treat the legal ceremony as a chance to step back, reflect and relax was spot on – 'legalities' (15 mins), pizza and wine. The perfect way to get ready for what we both saw as the 'main event'.' Jen

'We wanted a non-religious way of celebrating James's arrival but since both we and our families were unfamiliar with humanist namings we were anxious. A very thorough professional, Hannah put us completely at ease, creating an intimate and inspiring event.' Gemma + Gavin

'We wanted someone experienced, personable and confident: Hannah. Nothing was too much trouble and, positive and reassuring, nothing seemed to faze her. We loved the perfect script she wrote. So personal, it was as if she'd known us for years.' Emma + Sean

'It was important that our ceremony was romantic, but not overly sentimental. Hannah hit exactly the right tone – having us all at the brink of tears one minute, laughing out loud the next! Fabulous! We can't recommend her highly enough.'

Grace + Reece

'Thanks to you handling the one thing we all most dreaded (rain during the outside ceremony) with complete and utter professionalism and flair, we all felt it was actually quite delightful, just so funny and British, enhancing the whole thing.' Debbie (parent)

'We had a small, intimate wedding with two families who had scarcely met before. Hannah expertly controlled the content, pace and tempo of our wedding ceremony. Friendly, witty but serious when necessary, Hannah ensured happiness pervaded this very special occasion.' Diana + Stephen

'Having experienced the great job Hannah did at my sister's wedding, it was an obvious choice to book her for ours. We'd highly recommend her to anybody who wants a tailor-made ceremony you'll love on the day and remember forever.' Jemma + Mark

'You just had everything in hand and have a lovely way with people, chatting with everybody afterwards. A massive thank you for being so welcoming, making sure everything ran smoothly and for giving us yet another truly memorable naming day.' Kay + Shaun

'We were both rather sceptical about how necessary a rehearsal was but on the day it really made a difference. Being familiar with the process meant we were able to enjoy ourselves rather than thinking about what was happening next.' Ruth + Andy

'So many great things to rave about! From big: advice when someone experienced needed to take control; always making sure we were happy and stage direction...to small: like paying in instalments and a lovely calm attitude at the rehearsal.' Megan

'Thank you so very, very much for being our Celebrant. We don't think we could have found a better person. You immediately really understood what we were looking for and did a perfect job of realising it on the day.' Liz

'Not only did Hannah give us exactly the humanist ceremony we'd been looking for, she was a great advisor and friend throughout our wedding preparations. Whenever we were unsure, Hannah was on hand to steer us in the right direction.' Janette + Neil

'The ceremony was exactly what we wanted: personal to us, emotional (there were many joyful tears), enjoyable and above all so special. We have you to thank for the feedback about how lovely the day was. We highly recommend you!' Adele

'Hannah spent so much time getting to know how we work as a couple and family: there every step of the way, reminding me what really mattered and taking care of so many little details that hadn't crossed my mind.' Zoe

'Hannah was incredibly professional in the preparation for our big day, making sure that everything had been considered and organized, incredibly patient with our constantly changing plans. We are so glad we had her lead our ceremony. She was perfect.' Jane + Gemma

'Our ceremony was personal, emotional and warm, including everything we wanted, nothing we didn't. We couldn't have asked for a more calming presence than Hannah's to make us both feel at ease, guiding everyone and everything into place without fuss.' Jen + Jon

'Not only are we delighted we decided to go with the humanist ceremony, but also that we chose you as our Humanist Celebrant. You guided us beautifully, counselled us about the day and gave wise insight into the process.' Becky

'A true professional, it was reassuring for me to feel you in control so we could be with family and friends. So many said it was such a special naming ceremony. It was marvellous: all we hoped for and more.' Jo + Dale

'From Day One we knew we were in safe hands. We spoke to a few different Celebrants but we were so impressed with Hannah's professionalism and enthusiasm that we knew she was the one for us. We were not disappointed!' Lou + Dave

'Right from first we spoke, we knew we were in safe hands. You clearly have a passion for what you do. Based overseas, we always felt our ceremony was in control and would come together amazingly. It did so infinitely.' Heidi

'Hannah helped bring our ideas to life, but was honest when she thought something wasn't going to fit. She was also full of alternatives if a particular plan wasn't working, such as suggestions to readers struggling to find appropriate options.' Ruth

'How great all the help you gave us was – leading up to and on the wedding day itself. Your experience with the job showed in so many situations we can barely recall them all. We're so glad we picked you!' Amy + Ric

### II More than just a job

'Working with Hannah on our daughter's ceremony was an utter pleasure; our son's a no-brainer! Her genuine interest and care for her clients and their families is incredible; the ceremony intimate, full of laughter and wisdom. She is a wonder.' Naomi + Dan

'We had a strong vision for the naming ceremony of our children, and from the moment we met, we knew Hannah would shape and nurture this vision. More importantly, we felt she knew and cared for us as a family.' Kate + Simon

'The weather for our wedding was severe to say the least but undaunted by this, Hannah and her husband WALKED the 10 miles from her home, over the moors, to make sure she was there on our special day. Amazing!' Melanie + Gareth

'When Coronavirus hit, Hannah went above and beyond, even calling our hotel to upgrade us, leaving a personal message. In extremely stressful times, she helped us remain positive and to be excited for our wedding as we should have been.' Chris + Alexa

'We were delighted with the ceremony which every single person I spoke to mentioned how much they enjoyed. You also managed to make two shy people relish the experience of standing in front of everyone we know – no mean feat!' Hannah + Pete

'From Day One it was obvious you genuinely cared. Your passion for what you do really comes across. Considering we live 4000 miles away you made us immediately feel at ease, that we'd made the right decision in choosing you.' Laura + Lee

'We have both said that your professionalism and heartfelt passion to create a unique ceremony shone through, and touched not only our hearts, but the hearts of all our guests and family. There wasn't a dry eye in the place!' Angela

'A great listener and writer, Hannah is very experienced, kind and generous with her time, working with you to create a naming day right for you and your family. She has her clients at the heart of what she does.' Sarah

'From the very beginning your enthusiasm and passion was so exciting and inspiring. The ceremony you wrote and way you delivered it was PERFECT and EVERYONE was talking about it/you for days! It was everything we hoped for and more.' Anna + Ben

'I can't tell you how much having you to rely on helped get us through: someone we felt we knew and could totally depend on. We can't imagine it any other way. It was just what we wanted and more.' Laura + Paul

'Your reassurance and support, particularly in the week leading up to the wedding when we were getting rather frazzled was just invaluable – you really were the guiding light in getting us 'home'. We do hope our paths cross again Hannah.' Emily + Simon

'We wanted guidance and support to make our day what we'd always wanted, our story, the journey we had travelled together. I immediately felt inspired, motivated and assured that our ceremony meant as much to Hannah as it did us.' Kay + Andy

'I cannot recommend her services enough to you. If you're in any doubt, one conversation with Hannah and you'll never look back. This woman has an amazing gift and a beautiful soul. Everyone needs a Hannah when they get married!!' Zoe

'We definitely made the right choice in you: so proactive in organising of Finlay's naming ceremony; for so many different ideas; being so accommodating at short notice; making us feel so relaxed and being so passionate about what you do.' Kay

'Hannah's dedication was so obvious throughout the whole process: she was always there with a friendly text or email response to the tiniest questions, and amazing at teasing out details that wasn't always immediately obvious to us as being important!' Jen + Jon

'Hannah soothed any nerves by giving us a call the day before the wedding and I really appreciated her supportive texts in my hour of need. Her wise words on my fear of blubbing were worth their weight in gold!' Mai

'So many people have been talking about what an amazing ceremony you did for us. We can't thank you enough. We would love to spread the word about how wonderful you are so others can benefit from the experience we all had yesterday.' Lisa + Rich

'From the first email, we knew you were who we were looking for to help us celebrate Freddie. How right we were! You were a dream to work with: highly organised, intuitive and patient. I hope our paths cross again.' Sarah

'Everyone commented on how personal and moving our ceremony was – it was everything we had hoped it would be. Thanks for keeping us both so calm, ensuring we had a truly magical time and for making our wedding so special.' Lucy + Greg

'Hannah never lacked a good sense of humour, essential when dealing with any bride and groom, making me laugh at the most stressful times. She is the perfect, non-alcoholic, wedding stress-relieving tonic! I'll never be able to thank her enough.' Rachel 'Hannah's joy in her work was evident from the start and we soon felt we had known her for years. Not once were any suggestions rejected, just accommodated, and she also gave us many ideas which we hadn't thought of.' Gareth

'Wowza' All our guests commented what a truly beautiful, personal service it was. I've since heard you gave much needed support on the day to ensure everything was perfect. We couldn't have asked for a better, more genuinely lovely person.' Lisa

'The ceremony being so personal and meaningful was everything I hoped it would be and more. Thank you for all that you did throughout and on the day. I'll always remember your kindness and cherish the memory of the ceremony.' Lynsey

'The ceremony was perfect: so many commented the best wedding ceremony they'd ever been to, capturing everything about our lives together. We had the most amazing day - thank you for the enormous part you played in making it so.' Lucy + Tommy

'A huge thank you for the most perfect ceremony - summing up all our thoughts and feelings about our daughter and all she has brought to our family. You could tell how moved everyone was by the number shedding tears!' Nicola + Simon

'A huge thank you for everything you have done. Also for taking the time to stay and talk to people - quite a few mentioned how much they appreciated this. We've had so much positive feedback that it's been overwhelming.' Laura

'You did a great job with our ceremony, whipping everyone into shape on the day. Your commitment to getting it all exactly right was evident throughout the process and we both felt confident knowing our day was in your hands.' Natalee + Jamel

'The day ran so smoothly, helped greatly by your organisation and attention to detail. It's lovely to have both brothers named by the same Celebrant several years apart. We will treasure the scripts. Thank you for going above and beyond.' Adele + Jon

'Hannah is extremely kind, professional and genuinely wants the day to be perfect. She goes above and beyond her role. At the start she is your Celebrant, by the end she leaves a friend. I could not recommend her enough.' Heidi + Sam

'The day couldn't have gone better for us and the ceremony was an essential part of that. We received so many lovely comments about it. I think we're both going to miss our regular email chats and assignments from you!' Anthony + Jon

## 12 Exceeding expectations

'We cannot thank you enough for making our dream wedding come true. We played the ceremony out with you and in our heads many times. It was one million times better than we ever imagined. Everyone still talks about it.' Sharon + Dave

'You were extraordinary to work with. We'll be 'talking you up' to everyone. For most, namings were an unknown; to a person, glowing comments. The impression you left will stay with them, and us, for years and years to come.' Kate + Brad

'What can we say? Our wedding – and the ceremony especially – completely exceeded our expectations. You lent an air of quiet authority over proceedings, which gave it the necessary gravitas. We would never have achieved such a ceremony without you.' Miriam + Ray

'Thank you for helping create such an amazing and unique day for us, our family and friends. It really went better than we could have imagined and the ceremony will be remembered by all. You have our eternal gratitude.' Caitlin + James

'The promise of a personalised and enjoyable ceremony was a vast understatement: Hannah not only controlled the very personal and emotional event with total confidence and calm assurance but spent a great deal of time speaking to all those involved.' Neil + Sarah

'The ceremony was beyond our wildest dreams. I can't tell you how many said it was the best ceremony they'd ever been to...the most personal...filled with so much genuine emotion. Choosing you was the best decision we made!'

Jess + Craig

'Emilia's naming was absolutely perfect (Carla perfect!) The ceremony was beautiful, surpassing our expectations. The words you wrote and said really did matter – it's a day we'll never forget. I really can't express how grateful we both are to you.' Carla + James

'Thank you so very much for making the day absolutely perfect for Sam and Heidi. I know that the day was better than they could have ever imagined and your words were wonderful.' Alice (groom's sister)

'We're sad now it's over, but that's only testament to the fantastic job you did. It was such an emotional day. Jack's naming was everything and more we wanted for our little boy: a truly personal day, dedicated to him.' Lisa + Barry

'Hannah was so much more than we hoped for – she was our Celebrant, our host, our MC, our crowd control and our event manager. A very welcome addition to our Big Day, we'll be recommending her to everyone we know.' Megan

'We cannot thank you enough for making our special day so perfect! Excited about a ceremony that resonated with our values, your creation was more than we could have envisioned. Your passion for your work was evident through every step.' Bobbie + Rebecca

'Massive thanks for making Sienna's Naming Day so special. You really did bring it all together and the ceremony was everything we hoped for and more. We got so many compliments, especially how personal it was. Such a lovely day.'

Ria + Scott

'We're so happy we found Hannah and chose this ceremony. Her ability to marry professionalism and warmth made it perfect, far better than we ever hoped for. We miss her emails and just wish we could do it all again.' Claire + Tommy

'We wanted to say a huge thank you for all your support and care over the last year. The ceremony completely surpassed all our expectations and we only have you to thank for that. It truly felt unique to us.' Gemma + David

'Hannah was so calm, an excellent organiser and very professional. The ceremony exceeded both our expectations and those of our guests, who all said it was a very refreshing alternative to traditional christenings and what a fantastic time they had.' Kim + Danny

'Thank you so much again for everything. The number of people who've said it was very personal and completely us is immense! We thoroughly enjoyed it as the whole thing summed us up. You made Robson's day amazing and complete.' Liz

'We chose Hannah to be our Celebrant as she was very enthusiastic, kind, personable and supportive. We instantly clicked. The lovely script she produced exceeded our expectations. We would recommend her wholeheartedly to any couple considering a humanist wedding ceremony.' April + Matt

'We knew straightaway you were just what we were looking for: someone passionate and interesting and patient. It was everything and more that we hoped it would be: fun, personal and all about Billy and welcoming him to the world.' Ellie + Tim

'An amazing wedding- everyone was suitably impressed, saying the best they had been to, how real, thoughtful and honest the ceremony was. It made most people cry – thanks to you. It was more beautiful than we could have dreamt of.'

Ami + Dan

'Thank you so, so much for everything you did for our wedding day. Everyone we have spoken to said how lovely you were and your ceremony was. It was absolutely perfect. We couldn't have wished for anything better.' Carys + Darrell

'Everyone was so full of admiration for the beautiful service, several male guests shedding tears. It was all so much more beautiful and personal than we ever imagined. Thank you so much for all your care, dedication, professionalism and warmth.' Claire

'So many people remarked how "us" the ceremony was and how touched they were by it - all thanks to you and the script you put together. For us it could not have been better - truly an emotional day.' Diane + Francesca

'After emailing a handful of Celebrants, Hannah really caught my eye. She really 'got us' as a family and brought our son's naming day together in a way we couldn't have imagined. More traditional family members were very impressed too!'

Katie + Andrew

'We're blown away at how gorgeous our expertly word-smithed wedding was. Our guests loved it and it was so nice for them to be able to contribute - a truly personal celebration. There wasn't a dry eye in the house.' Mai Mai + Martyn

'Thank you so much for delivering such a wonderful ceremony for us. You were amazing and made the outside ceremony so special and unique. All the guests loved how personal it was. It was everything we hoped for and more.' Robyn + Steven

'Our ceremony was simply beautiful, much more than we could have ever imagined. We're delighted we chose Hannah and cannot thank her enough for the time, effort, care and attention to detail she put in. An incredible day to remember.' Natalia + Jon

'We thought we'd found a wonderful wedding Celebrant when we met Hannah - she ended up being so much more. Still reminiscing about our beautiful, memorable and personal ceremony after 8 years, we'll still be doing so in another 80!' Saskia + Paul

'The day was exactly what we'd imagined and more, perfect in every single way. We are finding it very hard to put into words. If you're thinking you want a ceremony that is unique and personalised to you, don't hesitate.' Louise + Matt

'Thank you so much for making our day even more special and memorable than we could have hoped for. We really appreciate everything you have done for us and we will certainly be singing for praises for years to come.' Ashlea + Dave

'We knew Hannah was the one who could make our dream day a reality. We simply couldn't have asked for more: it felt like a friend conducting our ceremony. Give her a ring – it'll be the best call you make.' Kathy + Alan