

Family Life

Quiz 2

The Wedding Ceremony

I. FILL IN THE BLANKS

- 1) Marriage is both a _____ and a _____, and Christian ministers _____ both the region and _____ when we conduct a _____. (6)
- 2) The state does not _____ that a member of the _____ perform the marriage but does _____ such a person to do so. You will need to be familiar with the _____ of both _____. (5)
- 3) Marriage as a _____ contract consists in the parties making a _____ before competent _____ that they take each other as _____ and _____, pledging themselves to a _____ and _____ discharge of the _____ reciprocally involved in that _____. (9)
- 4) Persons designated to _____ the wedding and _____ a certificate of _____ are regularly _____ and recognized _____ of all _____ and certain specified _____ authorities. (7)
- 5) Every _____ has its own rules and _____. Information is easily obtained from the _____ secretary in your regional _____, or possibly from the headquarters _____ of your _____. (6)
- 6) If you are the ordained _____ of a _____ church, there is very little _____ that you are authorized to perform _____. (4)
- 7) Insist on having the marriage _____ in your hands before the _____ takes place, and _____ it carefully to be sure it is _____ for the _____ use. (5)
- 8) Under no circumstances should you conduct a _____ upon the _____ that a _____ will be delivered or that an _____ one will be _____. To do so may create serious _____ problems both for _____ and for the _____. (8)
- 9) It is reasonable to assume that the _____ that issued the license has checked on the _____ of the persons coming to be _____, but if you have serious reason to _____ any irregularity (for instance, whether the persons are of _____ age, whether they are both presently _____, or whether they are _____ and physically _____), you should satisfy these _____ before _____ with the wedding plans/ _____. (11)
- 10) Changing _____ have brought changing _____ of the marriage _____ to many people, but the _____ witness clearly identifies it as the lifelong _____ of _____ man and _____ woman to _____. (9)

II. Write TRUE or FALSE in the blanks provided.

- _____ 1) Meet in advance, possibly several times, with the couple who plan to be married.
- _____ 2) The most obvious part of these sessions is to exchange basic information about the wedding.
- _____ 3) It is not essential to know your region's requirements concerning marriage licenses.
- _____ 4) Use these meetings to inform the couple about the requirements of the government and church.
- _____ 5) Some heart-to-heart conversations about the nature of marriage and family life are needed as you take this opportunity to offer counseling, especially on subjects where marital troubles are apt to arise.
- _____ 6) One leading question you may ask to get couples involved in open discussion is, "How does each of you feel about having children?"
- _____ 7) As pastor, you have no say in the tone of the wedding.
- _____ 8) Your position may require you (as pastor) to mediate in disputes involving others such as the bride's mother or a wedding consultant.
- _____ 9) The pastor's authority is considerable as it relates to the ceremony itself.
- _____ 10) Some couples like to write their own marriage services, and this is unacceptable.
- _____ 11) One good question to ask is, "Where will you live- a home of your own or one shared with others?"
- _____ 12) As the officiating minister, you are taking part in the creation of a new family unit.
- _____ 13) Ask the couple, "How do you know that you are really in love?"
- _____ 14) Weddings in a church sanctuary testify to the presence of God in a marriage.
- _____ 15) Give due consideration to the wishes of the participants, especially the bride.