



Sand Ceremony Script

Officiant: Now we will perform a ceremony symbolizing this couple's new union. Today we join two people and two families, and we seek to honor those families who have helped to shape the two unique individuals standing here at this altar.

[At this point, you may want your officiant to ask certain family members to step forward and "present" each of the two bottles of sand -- One representative from your family and one from your partner's family. If not, you can just have the sand already sitting on the altar/table.]

Officiant: Would [Representative 1] please come forward and present the bottle of sand on behalf of [Partner 1's] family and friends.

This bottle of sand represents [Partner 1] and all who know them, and who have helped to make them the person we see standing before us today. This bottle is full of [red] sand, just as [Partner 1] has been filled with the endless love and companionship of all of you sitting before us.

Would [Representative 2] please come forward to present the bottle of sand on behalf of [Partner 2's] family and friends. This bottle of [blue] sand is [Partner 2] and all of their wonderful family and friends that have loved and shaped them over the years.

I now ask the couple to step forward with their bottles.

Two unique families, and two unique individuals have been brought together today to become one. To be successful in their union, they will need to rely on all of the lessons of compassion, empathy, and love taught to them by all of the people present in this space.

All of your lessons of love and kindness are brought together in these two people. As a symbol of this union, please now combine the contents of your bottles into a single vase.

[Couple pours both bottles of sand into the third bottle.]

May this vase serve as an everlasting reminder of your union, of the love and wisdom from two families coming together, for all the rest of your lives.