

Student 5: Low Achieved
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In 1914 the Catholic Church was far more strict and exclusive compared to what it is today. Back in 1914 marriage was far more male dominant than it is now.

The bride would always be given away by her father who represented the change in ownership of the bride. She was her father's property, and now her husband owns her. Society back then was far more male dominated as a whole and you could see that in some parts of the Nuptial Mass.

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Today the bride and groom may enter the church in many ways. The bride and groom may be brought to the altar by any family member or even friends.

This shows how they are both entering the marriage freely and by their own will and choice and that their family are there to show support to them.

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The bride's father does not necessarily 'give her away' anymore because society is not as male dominated.

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The liturgy can be said in English so the couple can understand it better and they can choose what is said and who says it.

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