

Ladies and gentlemen,

Thank you for gathering today to celebrate this incredible milestone with me. As I stand here, it's hard to believe that the time has come to retire after so many wonderful years.

Let me take you back to my very first day on the job. I was filled with excitement and a bit of nervousness as I walked through those doors. My mentor, Mr. Johnson, greeted me with a smile and wise words that have stayed with me ever since: "Every day is a chance to learn something new." And learn I did, not just about the work, but from each and every one of you.

I recall one particular moment that stands out--the annual company picnic where, in an unexpected twist, the boss joined the tug-of-war team. We pulled and laughed until our sides hurt. It was then I truly understood the power of teamwork.

And now, as I close this chapter, I'm filled with gratitude for the friendships and experiences this journey has given me. I will miss the daily rhythm, the banter, and yes, even the challenges that brought us together.

Thank you all for being such an important part of my life. As I embark on this new adventure, I carry with me the memories we've made and the lessons I've learned.

Here's to new beginnings, old friends, and the endless possibilities that lie ahead. Cheers!