

Clerihew

Supreme Wordster

Slam poet Taylor Mali
Twice National champ, by golly
581 is his one-game Scrabble score.
He'll never be wordless any more.

Electrifying Inventor

Thomas Alva Edison
made darkness jettison.
Once considered not too bright,
somehow he turned on the light.

Clerihew: Invented by Edmund Clerihew Bentley 1875-1966

He invented the form at sixteen in 1890.

Light verse form. Rhymed a-a-b-b

1st line is the name of a famous person.

2nd line a comic predicate

3rd and 4th comment further comically on some biographical fact
or absurd fancy related to the person.

Meter or syllable count can be rough and irregular, shortening or lengthening lines
according to poet's whim.