

A Word

Alas, the Literati

ARTY-FARTY literati
Rejoice in chopped-up prose.
Lines need scanning, but they're planning
Even more of those.

Arty-farti literati
Suffuse a special glee –
Noise ecstatic, quite emphatic,
So lesser men may see.

Arty-farty literati
Pretend they understand
Discipline in poetry
That's got quite out of hand.
