

Dewey's Discombobulation



Library pioneer Melvil Dewey is famous for inventing the Dewey Decimal System of document classification. But the concept didn't come easily to him. He initially preferred the more relaxed system that he had devised while in college. That all changed when family matriarch Morbidiana Dewey paid a surprise visit to Melvil in his dorm room. Disgusted with the rampant discombobulation, she burned down the room, further threatening to set fire to Melvil if he didn't mend his slovenly ways. He did, and, in time, the library world reaped the benefits.