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Proof Techniques for the New Millennium

"Proof by intimidation" is so passé. Instead, try one of these.

- 1. **Proof by clickbait:** One weird trick proves this theorem. Profs hate it!
- 2. **Proof by democracy:** This theorem will be true after 1000 upvotes.
- 3. **Proof by Snapchat:** This theorem's proof will disappear after 5 seconds.
- 4. **Proof by search engine:** The first link about this theorem says it's true.
- 5. **Proof by influencers:** Attractive people think this theorem is true.
- 6. **Proof by Trump:** Make this theorem great again.
- 7. **Proof by fame:** My million followers agree that this theorem is true.
- 8. **Proof by fear:** Only bigots think this theorem isn't true.
- 9. **Proof by low resolution:** For proof, see this image: ■
- 10. **Proof by incompatible format:** For proof, see the attached WordStar file.
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