Glossary

Febrile children

<https://www.google.com/search?q=febrile+children&rlz=1C1CHBD_enCH818CH818&oq=febrile+children&aqs=chrome..69i57j69i59j69i60l2j69i61l3j69i60.1921j0j7&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8>

Children are considered to be febrile when their rectal temperature reaches or exceeds 38°C while at rest in a comfortable environment and when the child is not wearing excessive clothing ([8](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2791427/#b8-pch08076)). In young children, or for a more precise measurement, a rectal temperature is preferable to oral temperature ([21](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2791427/#b21-pch08076)). Axillary and tympanic temperature measurements are not as accurate ([22](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2791427/#b22-pch08076)). Electronic thermometers give results close to those of a mercury thermometer.

Febrile illness

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK525177/>

* Often mis diagnosed for malaria given the severity and prevalence of malaria
* Related to fever