# Sore throat

## For children over 1 year old and adults

For consideration of antibiotic therapy for moderate sore throat with a moderate likelihood of bacterial cause.

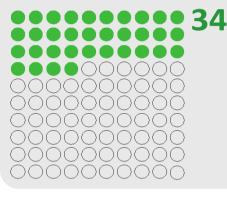
#### What causes a sore throat?

It can be caused by a viral, or rarely, by a bacterial infection in school children 15-30% and in adults 5-15% group A streptococci.

#### How long does a sore throat last?

Improvement of sore throat in 2-3 days, re-gardless of whether the infection is bacterial or viral.

100 affected persons who **don't** take antibiotics



With antibiotics,

**17 more** people

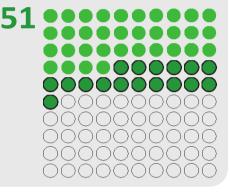
out of 100 will be

## pain free

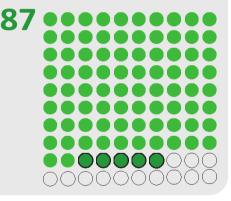
after

3 days

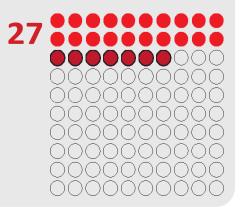
100 affected persons who **do** take antibiotics



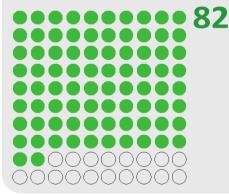
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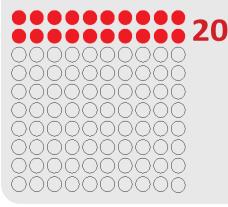
100 affected persons who **do** take antibiotics



100 affected persons who **don't** take antibiotics



100 affected persons who **don't** take antibiotics



With antibiotics,

5 more people

out of 100 will be

## pain free

after

7 days

### Side effects from antibiotics

With antibiotics,

7 more people

out of 100

will have symptoms like

vomiting, diarrhea

and/or skin rash.