

## Pharyngitis

Inflammation of the pharynx  
Usually infected by Streptococcus bacteria

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- Most commonly caused by Streptococcus bacteria – STREP THROAT
- Commonly occurs between April-October
- Common in children 5-10 years
- Spread by nasal secretions or saliva
- Incidence 5 in 1000

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## Symptoms

- Painful Throat
- Erythematous Throat (Red)
- Dysphagia (Difficulty Swallowing)
- Sudden Onset Fever
- Cervical Lymphadenopathy
- Nausea
- Anorexia (Loss of Advent)
- Rash

## Additional Symptoms

- Neck Pain
- Myalgia (Muscle Pain)
- Nasal Congestion/Discharge
- Joint Stiffness
- Headache
- Abnormal Taste

## Pharyngitis & Tonsillitis



## Investigations & Treatment

- Culture for Streptococcus bacteria
- Clinical Presentation
  
- Treatment may include antibiotics
- Salt water gargles
- Analgesics such as Aspirin
- Fluids, Rest

## Prognosis & Complications

- Outcome is very good. Symptoms resolve usually in one week.
  
- Complication may include:
  - Mastoiditis
  - Sinusitis
  - Rheumatic Fever
  - Glomerulonephritis
  - Otitis media
  - Scarlet Fever
  - Peritonsillar Abscess