




Type	How it works	Where to take the temperature	Age	Notes
<p><b>Digital Multiuse Thermometer</b></p>	<p>Reads body temperature when the sensor at the tip touches that part of the body. It can be used rectally or orally.</p>	<p>Rectal</p>  <p>Oral</p> 	<p>Birth and up</p> <p>4-5 years and older</p>	<p>Label thermometer as “oral” or “rectal”; don’t use the same one in both places.</p> <p>Tip of thermometer should be place under the tongue.</p>
<p><b>Tympanic (Ear) Thermometer</b></p>	<p>Reads the infrared waves released by the eardrum</p>	<p>In the ear</p> 	<p>18 months and older</p>	<p>Should not be used on infants under 18 months as probe may be too large to fit in ear canal.</p>