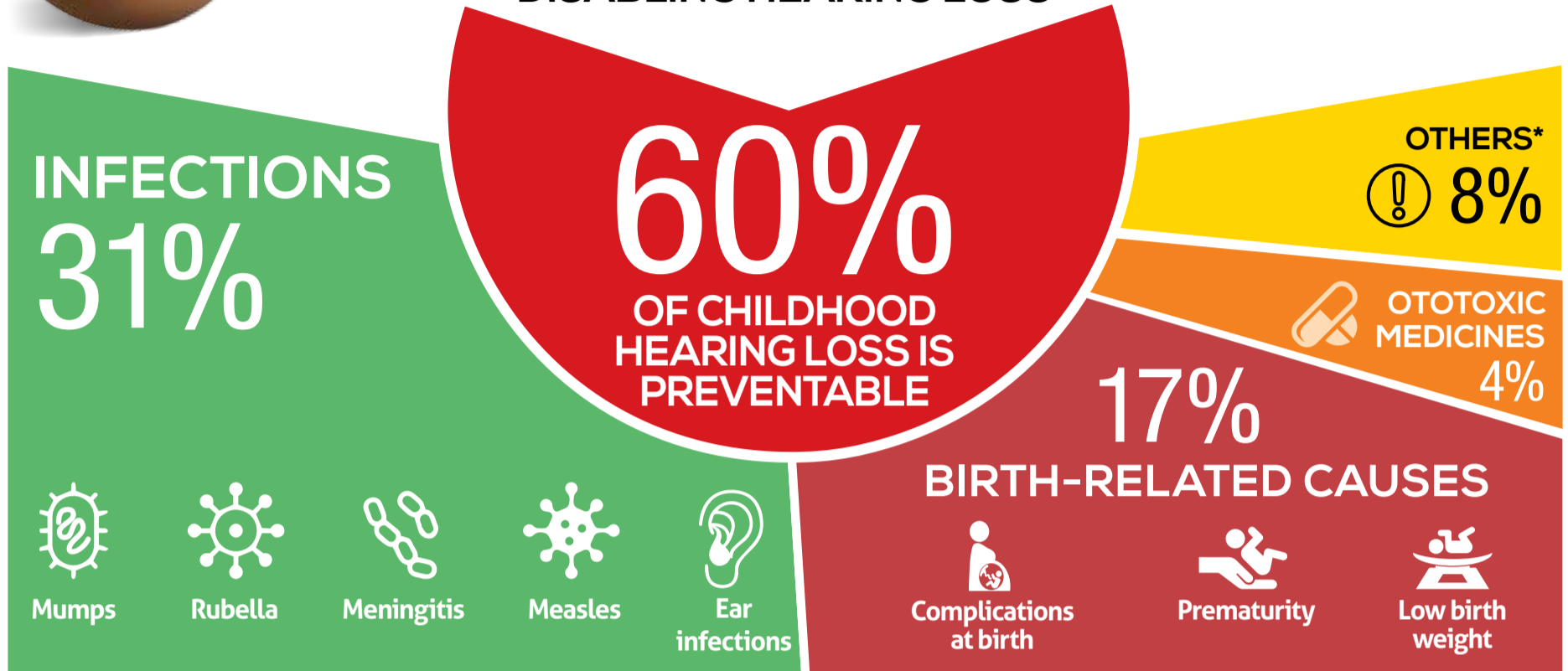


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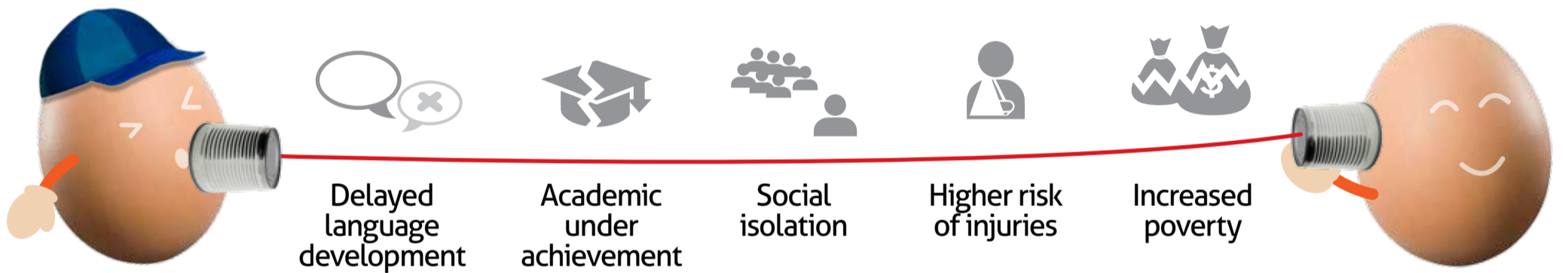
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## CHILDREN LIVE WITH DISABLING HEARING LOSS



\*including prenatal causes, such as substance abuse and metabolic diseases

## CONSEQUENCES, IF NOT ADDRESSED



## STRATEGIES FOR PREVENTION AND CARE

- Strengthen** maternal and child healthcare programmes, including immunization and organizations of people with hearing loss
- Train** Healthcare professionals in hearing care
- Regulate and monitor** use of ototoxic medicines and environmental noise
- Implement** infant and school-based hearing screening
- Make accessible** hearing devices and communication therapies
- Raise awareness** to promote hearing care and reduce stigma

# CHILDHOOD HEARING LOSS

## ACT NOW, HERE'S HOW!