Complete the following sentences using an appropriate expression with care.

Notes

If you care for something or someone, you like it or them.
If you care about something, you feel that it is important.
Care about is used before an object. If there is no object, we use care.
Care about is not used before a conjunction. Instead we use care.

1. Who .................... people in hospital?
cares for  
takes care of  
care of
To take care of somebody is to look after them.

2. ...................... when you are crossing the road.
Take care  
Take care of

3. Raju is too young to .................. his pet dog.
take care of  
care for  
Either could be used here
Both expressions are possible here; however, take care of sounds more natural.

4. I don’t ................... your objections.
care for  
care about  
care  
take care
Before an object, we use care about.
5. I don’t ................. whether it rains or shines – I am happy.
care
care about
care for
care of
Care about is used before an object. It is usually omitted before a conjunction.

6. He really ...................... his wife.
cares about
cares for
cares of
Care for can mean like.

7. I don’t much .................... fish or meat.
care about
care for
care of
Care for means like.

8. 'She is really upset with you.' 'I don't ....................'
care
care for
care about
Care is used to say whether something interests or worries you. We use care about before an object.

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Answers

1. Who takes care of people in hospital?
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2. Take care when you are crossing the road.

3. Raju is too young to take care of his pet dog.

4. I don’t care about your objections.

5. I don’t care whether it rains or shines – I am happy.

6. He really cares for his wife.

7. I don’t much care for fish or meat.

8. ‘She is really upset with you.’ ‘I don’t care.’