Expressions with care

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
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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.

PLAY AGAIN !
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Answers

1. Who **takes care of** people in hospital?

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**.’