

Home Care or Hospital Care?

1. Think about reasons to get health care at home or at the hospital.
2. Read the statements in the chart.
3. Write 2 more statements in the chart.
4. If the statement shows that home care is a good idea, ✓ that column. If the statement shows that hospital care is a good idea, ✓ that column.

Statements	home care	hospital care
Hospital staff can help you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.		
At hospitals, patients usually have to share rooms.		
Hospitals can give you a translator.		
Most people don't sleep well in hospitals.		
Hospital meals are not very tasty.		
Health insurance doesn't often pay for home care.		
In the hospital, patients get emergency care right away.		
Sometimes elderly patients overdose on medicine by mistake.		
Family members can visit patients at any time.		
Many services, such as surgeries, are available only at the hospital.		

5. Work with a partner. Compare your ideas.
6. Write your and your partner's ideas.

I think that _____ is a good idea because _____

My partner thinks that _____ is a good idea because _____

- **What's Next?** Work as a class. How many students prefer home care? hospital care? Draw a bar graph on the board. Then discuss the results.