Fill in the blanks with possessive pronouns or adjectives.

1. That policeman is a friend of

my	
mine	
me	

2. Honey, I have lost keys.

my

me

mine

3. It is easy to lose temper when one is criticized.

ones

one's

once

4. The cat is in a good mood. It's just had breakfast.

its

it's

it is

5. He watched each gesture of as if she was a stranger.

her

hers

her's

6. My work is no business of

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your

yours

your's

7. The teacher told the children to open books.

their

theirs

their's

8. How is that cousin of?

your

yours

9. A friend of has invited me to France.

my

mine

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my

mine

10. Jane broke leg mountain climbing

her

hers

her's

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Answers

- 1. That policeman is a friend of mine.
- 2. Honey, I have lost my keys.
- 3. It is easy to lose one's temper when one is criticized.
- 4. The cat is in a good mood. It's just had its breakfast.
- 5. He watched each gesture of hers as if she was a stranger.
- 6. My work is no business of yours.
- 7. The teacher told the children to open their books.
- 8. How is that cousin of yours?
- 9. A friend of mine has invited me to France.
- 10. Jane broke her leg mountain climbing.

Grammar notes

My, your, his, her, its, our and their are possessive adjectives. They are used at the beginning of noun phrases. Examples are: my daughter, your son, their dog etc.

Mine, yours, his, hers, ours and theirs are possessive pronouns. They are used without nouns.

That coat is mine. Which car is yours?

Note the spelling of the possessive its. The contraction it's is not a possessive. It means it is or it has.