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Ans. Followers of Mahavira, who were known as Jainas, had to lead very simple lives, begging for food. They had to be absolutely honest, and were especially asked not to steal. Also, they had to observe celibacy. And men had to give up everything, including their clothes.

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- i. He taught a simple doctrine: men and women who wished to know the truth must leave their homes.
- ii. They must follow very strictly the rules of ahimsa, which means not hurting or killing living beings.

Q3. What are the similarities between the teachings of Buddha and Mahavira?

- Ans. i. Both Buddha and Mahavira taught in the language of the ordinary people, Prakrit, so that everybody could understand their message.
- ii. Buddhism and Jainism were against to the vedic religion to large extent.

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- i. The Buddha taught in the language of the ordinary people, Prakrit, so that everybody could understand his message.
- ii. He also encouraged people to think for themselves rather than to simply accept what he said.