Unit 15 - Classwork 2: Gorgias and Antisthenes

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Gorgias drew three nihilistic conclusions. To answer the following questions about his nihilism, read pages 10—18 in Unit 15.

(i)   What was the very *first* conclusion that he drew?
      (Hint: It's an ontological conclusion, and he has multiple arguments for it.)

(ii) Gorgias believed that, even if his *first* conclusion is *false*, his *second* conclusion is *true*.
      What was the *second* conclusion that he drew? (Hint: It's an epistemological conclusion.)

(iii) Why did Gorgias think that his *second* conclusion is *true*?

(iv) Gorgias believed that, even if his *second* conclusion is *false*, his *third* conclusion is *true*.
      What was the *third* conclusion that he drew?

(v)   Why did Gorgias think that his *third* conclusion is *true*?