



# Finality, function and telic feature: relation of telic information to artefacts, instruments and auxiliary objects [

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