the scales of a fish. 18. Define the terms archetype, vital action, organic function, animal function, absorption, assimilation, and sensation.

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