**Here’s how you write an annotation of a book:**

**Lamott, Anne. Bird by Bird: Some Instructions on Writing and Life. Anchor Books, 1995.**

Lamott's book provides an insightful look into the realities of a writing life, exploring topics such as plot development, jealousy, perfectionism, and internal criticism. By taking a humorous approach to these issues, Lamott offers practical advice for overcoming insecurities and failures with writing. Furthermore, she offers several writing exercises designed to be both productive and enjoyable. This text is invaluable in that it provides an honest perspective on the writing, publishing, and human process with its wry anecdotes and encouraging message.

Such topics discussed within this book could easily be applied to a writing curriculum. Even so, among different books that discuss writing, this presents practical advice rather than an analysis of the writing process. Students should find Lamott's approach both thought-provoking and enjoyable.