

## **Working-class whites**

**Not all of the  
white working class struggles.**

**I knew even as a child that  
there were two separate sets  
of mores and social pressures.**

**My grandparents embodied one type:  
old-fashioned, quietly faithful,  
self-reliant, hardworking.**

**My mother and, increasingly, the entire  
neighborhood embodied another:  
consumerist, isolated,  
angry, distrustful.**

**J.D. Vance, *Hillbilly Elegy***