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def merge_strings(word1, word2):
  merged = []
  i, j = 0, 0
  while i < len(word1) and j < len(word2):
    merged.append(word1[i])
    merged.append(word2[j])
    i += 1
    j += 1
  merged.extend(word1[i:])
  merged.extend(word2[j:])
  return ".join(merged)
word1 = input()
word2 = input()
st = merge_strings(word1, word2)
print(st)
def canPlaceFlowers(flowerbed, n):
  count = 0
  for i in range(len(flowerbed)):
    if flowerbed[i] == 0 and (i == 0 or flowerbed[i - 1] == 0) and (i == len(flowerbed) - 1 or
flowerbed[i + 1] == 0):
      flowerbed[i] = 1
      count += 1
      if count >= n:
         return True
  return count >= n
flowerbed1 = [1, 0, 0, 0, 1]
n1 = 1
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print(canPlaceFlowers(flowerbed1, n1))
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lowerbed2 = [1, 0, 0, 0, 1]
n2 = 2
print(canPlaceFlowers(flowerbed2, n2))
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