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We have to transport a set of boxes from Katubedda to Kandy. By loading them onto trucks we have several trucks with the same CAPACITY (capacity =maximum number of boxes that can be loaded onto truck)

Given that there are “n” boxes and the truck capacity is “k” where $1 \leq n \leq 100000$ and $1 \leq k \leq 20$, our problem is to determine the number of trucks we will need to transport the boxes, with each truck loaded with k or fewer boxes.

Here is the proposed algorithm (which doesn't guarantee the minimum number of trucks for all cases) Divide the set of boxes in half, forming two smaller sets then continue dividing each of the small sets n half until we get sets that will fit on a truck. When we divide a set with an odd number of boxes into two sets, one of the resulting sets will have one box more than the other set. For example, suppose $n=14$ and $k=3$. First we divide 14 as $7+7$. Then each set with 7 is divided as $4+3$. Since $k < 4$ we have to divide 4 further into $2+2$ to fit in a truck. So we need 6 trucks as overall we have 6 box sets with box counts 3,2,2,3,3,2,2 which add up to 14.

Based on above algorithm develop a python program that takes as input n and k from a file and outputs the number of trucks needed. You may use recursion.

Sample input	Output
14 3	6
15 1	1
1024 5	256

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