3324. Find the Sequence of Strings Appeared on the Screen

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You are given a string target.

Alice is going to type target on her computer using a special keyboard that has only two keys:

- Key 1 appends the character ["a"] to the string on the screen.
- Key 2 changes the **last** character of the string on the screen to its **next** character in the English alphabet. For example, "c" changes to "d" and "z" changes to "a".

Note that initially there is an *empty* string [""] on the screen, so she can **only** press key 1.

Return a list of *all* strings that appear on the screen as Alice types target, in the order they appear, using the **minimum** key presses.

Example 1:

Input: target = "abc"

Output: ["a","aa","ab","aba","abb","abc"]

Explanation:

The sequence of key presses done by Alice are:

- Press key 1, and the string on the screen becomes ["a"].
- Press key 1, and the string on the screen becomes "aa".
- Press key 2, and the string on the screen becomes "ab".
- Press key 1, and the string on the screen becomes "aba".
- Press key 2, and the string on the screen becomes "abb".
- Press key 2, and the string on the screen becomes "abc".

Example 2:

Input: target = "he"

Output: ["a","b","c","d","e","f","g","h","ha","hb","hc","hd","he"]

Constraints:

- 1 <= target.length <= 400
- target consists only of lowercase English letters.

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