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Given a list of N integers, your task is to select K integers from the list such that its *unfairness* is minimized.

if $(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_k)$ are K numbers selected from the list N , the unfairness is defined as

$$\max(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) - \min(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$$

where \max denotes the largest integer among the elements of K , and \min denotes the smallest integer among the elements of K .

Note: Integers in the list N may not be unique.

Input Format

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The first line contains an integer N .

The second line contains an integer K .

N lines follow. Each line contains an integer that belongs to the list N .

Constraints

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$$2 \leq N \leq 10^5$$

$$2 \leq K \leq N$$

$$0 \leq \text{integer in } N \leq 10^9$$

Output Format

Output Format

An integer that denotes the minimum possible value of *unfairness*.

Sample Input 0

```
7
3
10
100
300
200
1000
20
30
```

Sample Output 0

```
20
```

Explanation 0

Here $K = 3$; selecting the 3 integers 10, 20, 30, unfairness equals

$$\max(10, 20, 30) - \min(10, 20, 30) = 30 - 10 = 20$$

Sample Input 1

```
10
4
1
2
3
4
10
20
30
40
100
200
```

Sample Output 1

```
3
```

Explanation 1

Here $K = 4$; selecting the 4 integers 1, 2, 3, 4 unfairness equals

$$\max(1, 2, 3, 4) - \min(1, 2, 3, 4) = 4 - 1 = 3$$
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Max Score: 35

Difficulty: Medium

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```
1 import java.io.BufferedReader;
2 import java.io.IOException;
3 import java.io.InputStreamReader;
4 import java.util.Arrays;
5
6 // The part of the program involving reading from STDIN and writing to STDOUT has been provided by us.
7
8 public class Solution {
9
10     public static void main(String[] args) throws NumberFormatException, IOException {
11
12         BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(System.in));
13         int N = Integer.parseInt(in.readLine());
14         int K = Integer.parseInt(in.readLine());
15         int[] list = new int[N];
16
17         for(int i = 0; i < N; i ++)
```

```
18 list[i] = Integer.parseInt(in.readLine());
19
20 int unfairness = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
21
22 /*
23  * Write your code here, to process numPackets N, numKids K, and the packets of candies
24  * Compute the ideal value for unfairness over here
25  */
26
27 System.out.println(unfairness);
28 }
29 }
30 }
```

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