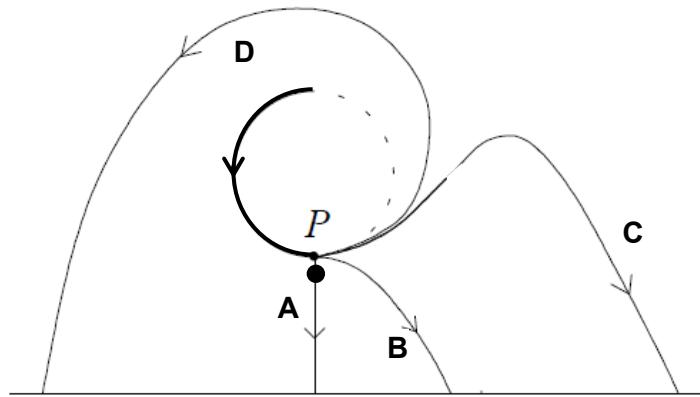


- 8** A stone, tied to a piece of string, is whirled in a vertical circle as shown in the figure below. The string suddenly breaks at P .

Which of the paths (A to D) represents a possible path for the stone from just before the string breaks until the stone hits the ground?



[Turn over]