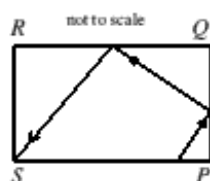




21. A toy pool table is 6 feet long and 3 feet wide. It has pockets at each of the four corners P , Q , R and S . When a ball hits a side of the table, it bounces off the side at the same angle as it hit that side. A ball, initially 1 foot to the left of pocket P , is hit from the side SP towards the side PQ as shown.



How many feet from P does the ball hit side PQ if it lands in pocket S after two bounces?

- A 1 B $\frac{6}{7}$ C $\frac{3}{4}$ D $\frac{2}{3}$ E $\frac{3}{5}$

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21. **B** The route of the ball is $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow S$. The diagram also shows point D , the reflection of point A in PQ , and point E , the reflection of point S in QR . As the ball bounces off a side at the same angle at which it hits that side, points D , B , C , E lie in a straight line. Triangles DPB and DSE are similar since both are right-angled and they have a common angle at D . So $\frac{BP}{PD} = \frac{ES}{SD} = \frac{6}{7}$. Hence $BP = \frac{6}{7}$.

