- Cause the printer to advance the paper
- Poll to determine when paper has advanced
- Move the print head to the beginning of the line
- Poll to determine when the print head reaches the beginning of the line
- Specify a character to print
- Poll to determine when the character is locked in position
- Cause the hammer to strike the character
- Poll to determine when the hammer is finished striking

**Figure 15.1** Illustration of synchronization between a processor and an I/O device. The processor must wait for each step to complete.