

SP tasks	Intrinsic Tasks			Downstream Tasks					
	MLM	NSP	SOP	SQuAD1.1	SQuAD2.0	MNLI	SST-2	RACE	Avg
None	54.9	52.4	53.3	88.6/81.5	78.1/75.3	81.5	89.9	61.7	79.0
NSP	54.5	90.5	52.0	88.4/81.5	77.2/74.6	81.6	91.1	62.3	79.2
SOP	54.0	78.9	86.5	89.3/82.3	80.0/77.1	82.0	90.3	64.0	80.1

Table 5: The effect of sentence-prediction loss, NSP vs. SOP, on intrinsic and downstream tasks.