We use **here** for the place where the speaker or writer is. **There** is used for other places.

(On the telephone) ‘Hello, is James **there**?’ ‘No, he is not **here**.’ (NOT No, he is not there.)

Can you put this chair in that corner over **there**?

Why are you standing alone **there**? Come over **here** and talk to us.

I wish he was **here** with me.

Can you come **here**? (NOT Can you come **there**?)

Can you go **there**? (NOT Can you come **there**?)

**Here** and **there** cannot be used as nouns. That means they can’t be the subject or object of a verb.

This place is very cold. (NOT Here is very cold.)

But you can say, **It is very cold here.**

Did you like that place? (NOT Did you like **there**?)

**Here** and **there** often begin clauses. Note the word order:

**Here is** / **here comes**

**There is** / **there goes**

Here comes the bus! (NOT Here the bus comes!)

There goes the dinner bell! (NOT There the dinner bell goes.)

There is Peter. (NOT There Peter is.)

Pronoun subjects come directly after **here** and **there**.

Here it comes. (NOT Here comes it.)

There he goes. (NOT There goes he.)