How to disassemble a bed

Basically you will leave all the pieces that go the width of the bed intact and remove all the long pieces. Since the end ladders are glued, we recommend you leave them intact as one piece. Remove anything that goes the length of the bed (safety rails, long desk, long shelves, etc.) first. We recommend you remove the bed rails and bed slats as one unit. Remove the carriage bolts and the screws surrounding the carriage bolts. Please note that the screws above the carriage bolt may be hidden behind a bed slat. You may need to remove the last bed slat to expose the screws. Then slide the bed rails and slats off the end ladders as one unit.

When re-assembling the bed if you strip a screw a trick to make the hole smaller is to fill the hole with wood glue and hammer in a few toothpicks into the hole. Once the glue dries cut off the excess toothpicks and you can re-insert the screw into the hole. You can also change the angle of the screw or move it slightly to go into a new clean section in the wood.

