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Begal is a robbery act where the offender usually hurts the victim. Crime acts happen because the offender has a cognitive distortion. Cognitive distortion is a distorted information processing because of twisted perception that makes your emotional response abnormal (Burns, 1999). This research aims to describe cognitive distortion in young adulthood begal offenders. The cognitive distortion in begal offenders shows as the cause or when they do begal. The method called structured interview was conducted towards three young adult men (aged from 24 to 39 years old) who get arrested in the prison. This study lasted for three months, started from Mar 2016 until May 2016. The result shows that the begal offender cognitive distortion covers: (a) all-or-nothing thinking, (b) mental filter, (c) jumping to conclusions, (d) magnification and minimization, (e) should statements, (f) label and mislabeling, and (g) personalization.. Cognitive distortion was the cause of begal and made them to do the offense.

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